

# ABRAHAM AND ISAAC

Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

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**Key Verse:**

Abraham said, “God... will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.”  
Genesis 22:8

**The Point:**

God can provide even in impossible situations.

**Making Connections:**

God Provides Blessings

**Bible Nuts & Bolts:**

Origins

**Spiritual Practice:**

Worship



# BACKGROUND

## Making Connections

Last week, we began the great story of God's relationship with creation told in Genesis. God made promises to God's people, and the story of those promises is continued in today's story of Abraham.

## Story Summary:

### *Abraham and Isaac*

The reading for today spans both the actual birth of Sarah and Abraham's son Isaac (Genesis 21:1-3) and the story sometimes referred to as the Sacrifice or Binding of Isaac (Genesis 22:1-14).

The story of Abram (later renamed Abraham) and his next three descendants takes up the majority of the Book of Genesis (chapters 12–50). This indicates the centrality of this story in Scripture. In Genesis 12:1-3, God promises to bless Abram with a very large family (a nation) and a land of their own. God makes these big promises despite the fact that Abram is 75 years old and Sarai (later renamed Sarah) is 65 and they have no children.

God reiterated the promise multiple times throughout the next 25 years, even declaring specifically that Sarah would give birth to a son. While Abraham and Sarah may not have always been patient, or even always trusted that the promise would be fulfilled, they waited, and when the time was right, Isaac was indeed born. However, the promise of a new land would take almost five hundred years to begin to come true.

## The Point

**God can provide even in impossible situations.**

Sarah and Abraham learned firsthand that, despite their own lack of faith at times, God did fulfill the promise of a son. Our God is a God who promises, and even though we may need to wait a long time to see fulfillment, we can be confident that God will keep every promise.

## Bible Nuts & Bolts:

### *Origins*

This week introduces the family of Abraham, whose descendants God promised would bless the whole world. Abraham and Sarah's grandson, Jacob, was renamed Israel by God and through him came the nation of Israel. The rest of the Old Testament gives the story of Israel through many, many generations. Hundreds of years later, Abraham and Sarah's family tree will include Jesus, through whom God's love is still being poured out all around the world. Students are introduced to the concept of a family tree and relations in this lesson.

## Spiritual Practice: Worship

In the story today, Abraham and Sarah wait for a very long time for God's promises to be fulfilled. Students will learn a prayer to help them when they are waiting.



Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

# Abraham & Sarah Anagram



**Word List:**

Abraham, children, family, Isaac,  
laughing, prayer, miracle, Sarah, stars,  
visitors

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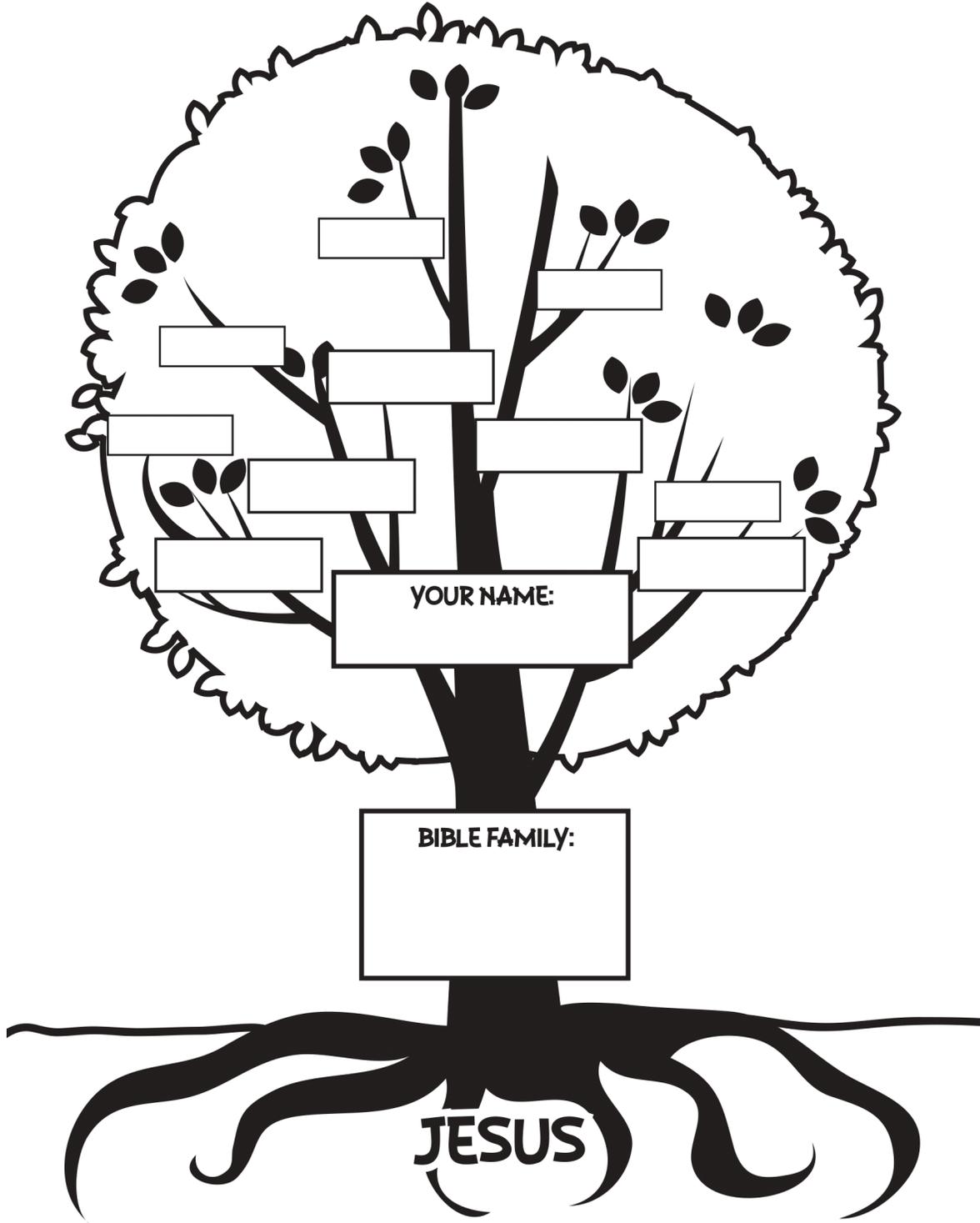
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# FAITH FAMILY TREE

*See the roots and growth of our faith.*





# Abraham Had a Son Word Search

Find the words on the list that are hidden in the puzzle.  
The words can be left to right, up and down,  
or diagonally.

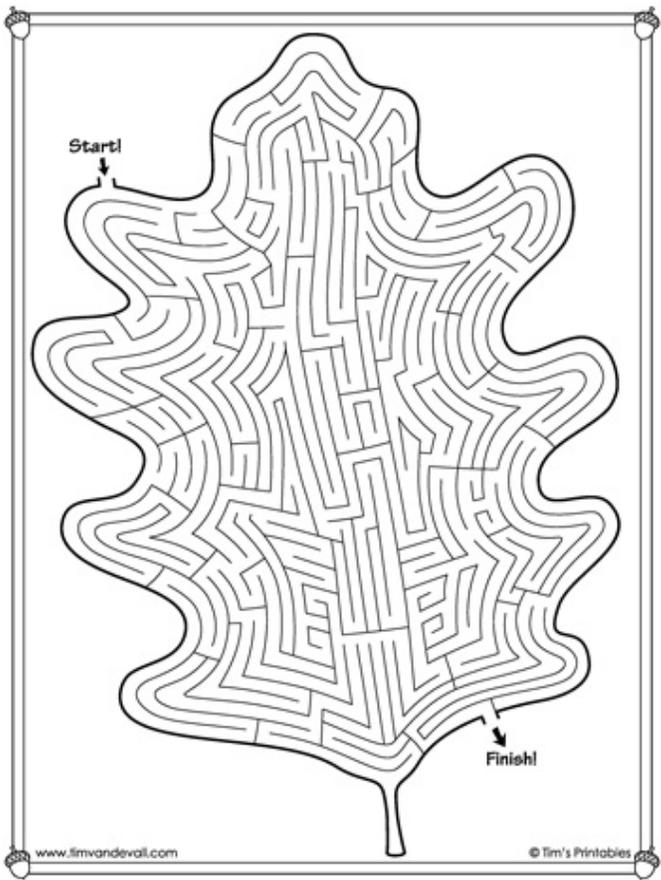


ABRAHAM  
BABY  
BREAD

COVENANT  
ISAAC  
LAUGH

OLD  
PROMISE  
SARAH

SON  
TENT  
TRAVELERS





# THE STORY @ HOME

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**Living the Word: Teaching Kids God's Story**  
Narrative Lectionary, Year 4 (2025-2026)

Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

## LAST WEEK

God created the whole universe and called it good (Genesis 1:1–2:4a).

## THIS WEEK

After a very long time waiting, the son God promised Abraham and Sarah is born: Isaac (Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14).

## STORY SUMMARY

### Abraham and Isaac

The story of Abram (Abraham) takes up most of the Book of Genesis. God promises to bless Abram with a very large family and a land of their own. God makes these promises despite the fact that Abram is 75 years old and Sarai (Sarah) is 65 and they have no children. God repeats the promise many times throughout the next 25 years. While Abraham and Sarah may not have always been patient, they waited faithfully. Isaac was born; however, the promise of a new land would take almost five hundred years to come true.

## PRACTICE: WORSHIP

Abraham and Sarah wait for a very long time for God's promises to be fulfilled. Sometimes, it is difficult to sit and wait. Today they learned a way to pray to help them in these quiet, worshipful moments. Invite your child to teach this prayer and use it in your family devotional time.

## NEXT WEEK

Isaac himself has two sons: Esau and Jacob. Jacob tricked his father into giving him Esau's blessing (Genesis 27:1-4, 15-23; 28:10-17).

## THE POINT

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## BIBLE NUTS & BOLTS

### *Origins and Family Trees*

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## Family Discussions

Use the questions below—or any you have—to discuss this lesson’s Scripture reading with your family.

- † Did you find anything in this reading that was surprising?
- † What does this Scripture have to do with our lives today?
- † What part of this Scripture is the most interesting to you? Why?

## Family Devotions

As you hear and study these stories each week, consider what God has to say to you and your family. What is God’s message to us? How should we respond?

### Sunday—Read Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

God provides a son for Abraham, then provides a sacrifice as well. Have each family member thank God for five things that give them joy!

### Monday—Read Genesis 24:1-14

Abraham sends his servant out to find a wife for Isaac. God does good things for Abraham so that Abraham and his family can do good things for others. Discuss what good things your family can do for others.

### Tuesday—Read Genesis 24:15-33

God shows the servant that Rebekah is meant for Isaac. God made promises to Abraham because God loved him. Tell each other “God loves you, and so do I” and share a big hug.

### Wednesday—Read Genesis 24:33-51

The servant explains his errand. Tell a story of a time when you realized God was leading you.

### Thursday—Read Genesis 24:52-67

Isaac and Rebekah meet. Act out the story of Isaac meeting Rebekah.

### Friday—Read Genesis 25:19-28

Twins are born to Isaac and Rebekah. Point out ways that you are different from each other. Point out ways that you are alike.

### Saturday—Read Genesis 25:29-34

Jacob tricks Esau. Jacob did something bad, but God still loved him. Have every family member say sorry for something they did to another family member and have that person say, “I forgive you.”