

brite* Parent Information

Unit 2-Lesson 2: Birth of Isaac (Genesis 18:1-15, 21:1-6)

brite* Idea: God works to keep His promises.

Abraham and his wife Sarah are very old, and didn't have any children. God made a promise to Abraham that he would have many children and that the world would be blessed through his family. God sent three men to visit Abraham and Sarah. They told them that they would have a baby next year. Although it was hard to believe, God fulfilled His promise, and they had a son, and named him Isaac.

He We Me Questions

This story helps us address 3 kinds of questions that kids may have. They are our He (God question), our We (people question), and our Me (purpose question) for this week.

- Our **He** Question about God: Why doesn't God make everything good happen right now?
 - We learned that God works in His own time to keep His promises.
- Our **We** Question about people: Why doesn't God always do what we expect the way we expect it?
 - We learned that we can know that God's schedule is not our schedule for how He works in our world.
- Our **Me** Question about our purpose: What should I do when I feel impatient with God and the things I hope will happen?
 - We learned that I can look at the circumstances of Isaac's birth, and trust God with the timing He has in my life too.

Memory Verse

Deuteronomy 7:9— **Know therefore that the LORD your God is God; He is the faithful God, keeping His covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love Him and keep His commands.**

Discipleship Conversation Starters For Parents

1: Would you rather put a puzzle together with or without looking at the picture on the puzzle box? Which way is harder for you?

2: Have you ever gotten frustrated putting a puzzle together? Sometimes it's hard to see how the pieces fit together. Who helps you if you are frustrated with a puzzle?

3: Each thing you do or each thing that happens to you is a puzzle piece of your day. Share a time from today that made you happy or sad. How do you think God will fit your happy or sad piece into the puzzle of your tomorrow or next week?

Encouragement for parents:

Abraham and Lot were family.

Like many families, a quarrel arose between them. From the quarrel came two distinct outcomes. After both looked ahead to their future, Lot chose for himself while Abraham chose after hearing from God. They were from the same family, but had different levels of faithfulness. We parents can model our faith in God by showing our kids how we ask God first before moving ahead with a decision. We want our kids to have faith in God, because then the best outcome surfaces—the ability for our kids to live out God's greatness with confidence!