



At-A-Glance: Ages 10-12
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua
Unit 7, Lesson 34

Abraham and Isaac

Lesson Aim: To challenge children to a more active faith by offering their lives as a living sacrifice.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: Who is the oldest person you have ever met?

GAME: Test of Faith

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO KEEPS HIS PROMISES

Read Worship Scripture: 1 John 4:9-10.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform High Seas Adventures script or read storybook.

THE WORD ABRAHAM TRUSTED AND OBEYED GOD

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God watched over Hagar and Ishmael and gave them a promise.

Today, we will read God promised a son to Abraham. Many years passed and he still did not have a son. In fact, he and his wife, Sarah, became too old to have a baby. Finally, when Abraham was 100 years old, he and Sarah had a baby just as God had promised.

They named him Isaac. Point to Abraham and Isaac (Circa 2050 B.C.). Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Genesis 22:1-2, 6-18. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Genesis 22:8. Pray.

When Isaac was older, God tested Abraham on Mount Moriah. Point to Mount Moriah. **Abraham's test involved a sacrifice, which is giving up something special to you. During Abraham's lifetime, people used to give special things to God by burning them on a mound of stones called an altar. Let's read Genesis 22:1-2, 6-18.** Read.

THE WAY A LIFE OF FAITH: OFFERINGS AND SACRIFICES

Earlier you were given a test to help you grow in your faith. What does it mean to have faith in God? (To trust God and to believe everything He says is true and will happen as He says.) **How do you think Abraham's test helped him know God better and trust Him more? Remembering what God has already done in our lives builds our**

faith. How does this story help you trust God more? What amazing things have you seen God do that have helped you trust Him?

What did God ask Abraham to do? (Sacrifice his son.) **For this test, Abraham knew the four things listed below.** Discuss why each would have helped Abraham trust and obey. (1) Isaac was a special gift from God. (2) God had promised Isaac would live to have children. (3) God always kept His promises. (4) God could do anything He promised.

Abraham had faith in God to keep His promise even when it looked impossible for God to do so. Hebrews 11:19 explains that Abraham reasoned that if he sacrificed Isaac, God would raise Isaac from the dead so all God's promises about Isaac would still come true. Who did God send to stop Abraham from sacrificing Isaac? (An angel.) **What did God provide to be sacrificed instead of Isaac?** (A ram.)

CHRIST CONNECTION:

When Isaac asked where the lamb was, what did Abraham tell him? (God would provide the lamb.) **The Bible calls Jesus, "the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world." How is Abraham's answer a hint of God sending the Savior?**

Since the days of Cain and Abel, God has always required offerings and sacrifices. Because Jesus paid for our sins once and for all, God no longer requires death in sacrifices. Let's see what sacrifices and offerings God now requires of those who belong to Jesus. Reveal Romans 12:1; Hebrews 13:15-16. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

What choices can you make so your daily life is holy and pleasing to God? Read Hebrews 13:15-16. **In the next seven seconds of silence, think about ways you can praise Him, share, and do good to others this week.** After a brief silence, lead the class in prayer.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: (Glow in the dark) star
- W³ BETWEEN THE LINES Journal Entry #34
- OFFERING OF ART: Abraham and Isaac finding the ram in the bushes
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: As Many As the Stars

GAME: Trusted Provision

CRAFT: Faith Stars

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Scrambled Promise, Understanding the Promise

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW