

At-A-Glance: Ages 6-7 God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua Unit 7, Lesson 32

# Abram and Lot

Lesson Aim: To learn how to be a peacekeeper.

## THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET: Where would you like to live?** 

GAME: Herding Cattle

### **THE WORSHIP** THE GOD WHO KEEPS HIS PROMISES

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 145:13.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform High Seas Adventures script or read storybook.

## THE WORD ABRAM KEPT THE PEACE WITH LOT

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

Review: God called Abram to move to a new land.

Point to Abram. **Today, we will read how Abram acted as a peacekeeper with his nephew Lot. A few years earlier, there had been a famine (which means there was very little food), so Abram and Lot had moved to Egypt.** Point to Egypt, then to Bethel and Hebron in ancient Canaan. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Genesis 13:1-2, 5-11, 14-18. Pray.

As we read, keep in mind that to quarrel is to argue. The word offspring means children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Read Genesis 13:1-2, 5-11, 14-18.

## THE WAY BE A PEACEKEEPER

Who was Lot? (Abram's nephew.) What was the problem between Abram and Lot? (It was too crowded for sharing, so their herdsmen quarreled.) Why did Abram say they should not quarrel? (They were "brothers," meaning they belonged to the same big family.) Abram cared about his nephew Lot and wanted to be at peace with him.

What did Abram do to make peace between Lot and himself? (He let Lot choose the land he wanted.) What land did Lot choose? (He chose the best land.) How would you feel if you offered to share something important with someone who then took the very best part? Did Abram argue because Lot chose the best land for himself? (No.) Abram's choices to share with Lot and to build an altar to the Lord showed he had a giving and thankful heart. What choices do you need to make this week in order to be more giving and thankful?

God wants us to have peace. Abram let Lot have first choice of the land so they could be at peace with each other. God blessed Abram for being faithful and made his land great. What are some ways we can make peace when others want to fight? (Examples: Let them choose/go first, ask them to help you find a way to solve your problem together, find a way to show them you care.) Discuss specific conflict issues the children have encountered with siblings or classmates. Lead children in discovering ways to resolve each conflict peacefully.

#### CHRIST CONNECTION:

**Over 2000 years after Abram said, "Let's not quarrel," the apostle James explained the cause of quarreling.** Reveal James 4:1-3. Read.

Why do people quarrel? (For selfish reasons, because they cannot get what they want.) To ask with wrong motives is to ask for selfish reasons; they are only asking God to get what they want without caring for the needs of others or what God wants for them. What do you quarrel about with others? How can you avoid these quarrels?

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

#### FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Map of ancient Canaan with Bible Memory Verse
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Abram and Lot dividing the land
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

## **GOT TIME?**

SNACK: Crunch Munch GAME: Look North, South, East, and West CRAFT: Peaceful Sand DISCUSSION: Take a Walk with God BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Scrambled Promise, Understanding the Promise BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW