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## Lesson 1: THE STORY OF CREATION

### **Bible Truth:**

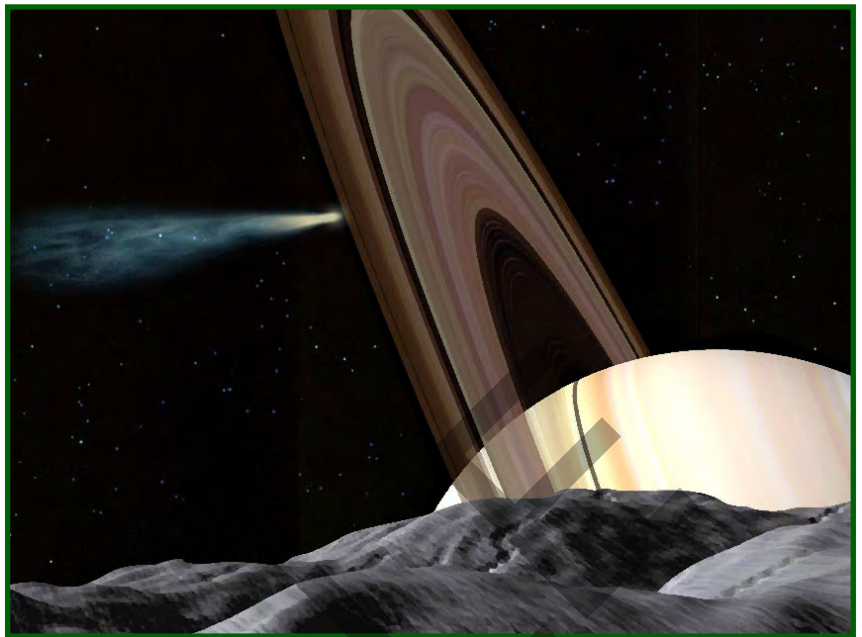
1. Only the Creator God is worthy of our worship.
2. God is perfect.

### **Objective:**

Worship the Creator God and be mindful of His righteousness.

### **Bible Reference:**

Genesis 1:1-2:3



## Learn

### **Key Lessons:**

1. There is one God who created the Universe.
2. When the universe was created, it was judged by God to be good. This word shows God's satisfaction and pleasure in the world that He created. It was perfect.

### **Memory Verse:**

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."

Genesis 1:1

## Quick quiz

1. Do you believe that the whole universe, including you and me:
  - a. was created by God?
  - b. existed by chance?
2. In the beginning when God created the universe,
  - a. there was no sin.
  - b. sin already existed.
3. God created the whole universe in six days. How many things could you do in a week? Write them here:

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## Quick list

List down the things that God created in the first six days.

Day 1:

Day 2:

Day 3:

Day 4:

Day 5:

Day 6:



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## Lesson 2: THE GARDEN OF EDEN

### **Bible Truth:**

1. It is our responsibility to take care of God's world.
2. God loves to fellowship with us.

### **Objective:**

Take care of God's world and obey His words to us.

### **Bible Reference:**

Genesis 2:4-25



## Learn

### **Key Lessons:**

1. Humans are created with special abilities and responsibilities. We are given the breath of God to live and are created in His image. We are given the task of caring for His creation.
2. God loves mankind. After He made man and woman, He cared for them and made the first covenant with humankind. Adam and Eve could live in the paradise Garden as long as they obeyed God.

### **Memory Verse:**

“When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?”

Psalms 8:3-4

## What do you think?

Discuss the questions with your group:

1. Can animals take care of plants?  
 Yes  No
2. Can plants take care of animals?  
 Yes  No
3. Humans can care for plants & animals.  Yes  No
4. Why does God want us to take care of the world He created?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## What are you taking care of?

Do you have a pet? Or do you grow plants at home? Draw the animal or plant that you take care of:

How do you care for it?  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Do you know?

Some of the things we do today are harmful to others and ourselves. Can you list them out in the chart below?

Harmful towards ourselves	Harmful towards earth, animals, plants, etc.
<b>Example: Smoking</b>	<b>Example: Toxic waste</b>

Think of ONE thing you can do to take care of God's earth.

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## The Royal Job

The Lord God created Adam and placed him in the \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of it. (Genesis 2:15)

What a royal job the Lord God had given to Adam! As the children of God, we are assigned with this royal job too! Get a partner, and come up with a quick plan as to how you can do this royal job from the Lord God. Your plan should answer these questions:

- What are you going to take care of? Where is it? e.g. The garden in church.
- How are you going to do it? e.g. We will take turns to water and care for the plants.
- How long will you and your partner do it for? eg. We'll do it together for a month.
- Finally, write you and your partner(s) names and sign.

### **Respond:**

Is it our responsibility to take care of God's world? \_\_\_\_\_ ( Yes / No )

If no, why not? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer:** Dear God, please teach me how to take care of Your creation.  
In Jesus' name, Amen.

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## Lesson 3: ADAM AND EVE

**Bible Truth:**

God desires our fellowship and obedience to Him.

**Objective:**

To have fellowship with God, we need to learn His commands and obey Him.

**Bible Reference:**

Genesis 3:1-24



### Learn

**Key Lessons:**

1. God is described in the Bible as a spiritual being as well as a personal being. Although He is all powerful, He fellowships with us on a personal level.
2. God gives humans the freedom of choice. Obedience leads to life. Disobedience leads to judgment and separation from God.

**Memory Verse:**

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 6:23

### Lost and Found

Find these words in the puzzle.

- SERPENT      TREE
- GOOD          EVIL
- WISDOM      NAKED
- DECEIVED    CHILDBEARING
- TOIL          EVE
- BANISHED    SWORD

N	S	S	F	F	G	F	E	A	K	T	P
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J	S	B	N	D	A	E	S	W	M	C	N
D	E	C	E	I	V	E	D	G	J	N	E

### Who's fault?

Adam and Eve blamed each other when confronted by God.

Who do you think held the biggest responsibility in this incident? God? The serpent? Adam? Eve? Why? Discuss with your teacher. \_\_\_\_\_

## Identifying the voices

Can you recognize which is the voice of God and which is Satan's? Fill in the blanks.

- 1) Cheat during your exam so that you can get higher marks!
- 2) Make sure you don't lie to your teacher if you did not finish your homework.
- 3) It's OK to tell white lies sometimes.
- 4) It's not wrong to hate someone who treats me badly.
- 5) Someone left RM500 in the drawer, I shall give to the orphanage.

## Recognizing God's voice

Sometime, you find yourself doing things that are not right such as stealing, lying, hating others, gossiping, etc. What do you think are the consequences if you continue to do these actions?

Wrong actions	Consequences

### **Respond:**

We often think that we can deceive other people. But we forget that we can't deceive God, for He is an all-knowing God.

Is there something you are trying to hide from other people? Write it down on a small piece of paper, fold it, seal it, and give it to your teacher to keep. No one else should open it to see.

Pray for strength to confront it and one day when you are ready, ask your teacher to open it and pray about it together with you.

**Prayer:** Dear God, thank you for loving me even though you are such a powerful God. Help me to know your voice and your commands and to obey you. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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## Lesson 4: CAIN AND ABEL

### **Bible Truth:**

God gives us chances to repent.

### **Objective:**

Be aware of our attitude towards God when we know we have sinned against Him.

### **Bible Reference:**

Genesis 4:1-26



## Learn

### **Key Lessons:**

1. Cain was warned to obey God. But he refused to listen and this led him to committing the terrible sin of murder.
2. God is the judge who sees everything. He holds us accountable for all our actions. Cain thought no one saw his crime but God saw it and punished Cain.

### **Memory Verse:**

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

Ephesians 4:32

## **What happened?**

Read the story of Cain and Abel. Then answer the questions below:

Cain's offering to God:

Abel's offering to God:

Who did God accept?

What did Cain do to Abel?

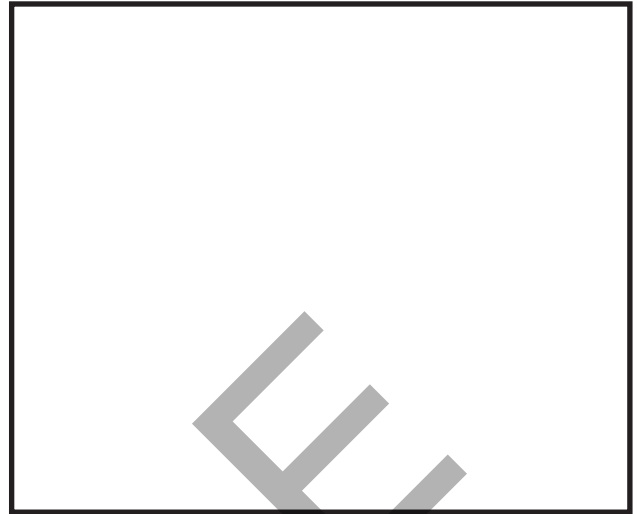
Cain's feelings and thoughts:

**Time for Action!** Get a partner. You're going to do a pantomime. Each pair is to teach the class a lesson from the story (e.g. give your best to God, don't act in anger). Rules: 1) You may use the story line based on the story of Cain and Abel. 2) You must use actions only. No speaking is allowed. The rest of the class has to guess your lesson.

## Dear Diary

Think of one incident where you did something bad to someone close to you and write it out as shown in the example:

Dear Diary,  
Today I did something bad to my sister. I never really liked her since day one. She always acts like she knows it all to please our parents and earn all their love and care. Hate how she talks! Everything I do is not right or important! I really hate her, so that's why I've flushed all her makeup down the toilet... Jamie



## Hate vs. Love

Do you know that hating someone takes up more energy than loving someone? What amount of hate and love do you have for the person you wrote about?

% of hate       % of love

What is the amount of hate and love do you think God wants you to have for that person?

% of hate       % of love

### **Respond:**

If everyone in this world hated everyone else, and if all of us did something bad to one another, what would happen to the world? Would you still want to live in this kind of world? If not, what could you do to prevent that from happening?

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Are you willing to take the step of love and forgive him/her?

Yes     No

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, help me to love other people as you have loved me. Help me to start with \_\_\_\_\_ (name of person). Thank you.  
In Your name, Amen.

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## Lesson 5: NOAH BUILDS THE ARK

### **Bible Truth:**

God calls faithful people to do His will.

### **Objective:**

Stay faithful to God even when others are not.

### **Bible Reference:**

Genesis 6 & 7



## Learn

### **Key Lesson:**

Noah had never built an Ark before. His only qualification for this great task was that he had faith, and he loved the Lord. Because of this, God chose Him to save creation.

### **Memory Verse:**

“He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.”

Psalms 62:2

## Sin in our world

Cut out from newspapers or magazines any photos or headlines about various sins and crimes (e.g. robbery, child abandonment, murder). Paste them on one half of an A4 paper. On the other half, paste or draw pictures or words of how you can show love to God in this world. (e.g. protecting animals, helping the poor, being kind)

\* Example:

Sins of the world

Loving deeds

## Beware, sin can be contagious!

*Contagious means, once something starts, it is very hard to stop. Think of a time when you teased your friend. What happened next? Most likely, your friend immediately teased you back and you became angry. Sin is like a disease that spreads quickly.*

Since the time of Adam & Eve, people continued to sin again and again until God decided to destroy all humans except Noah and his family.

What are some sins that are contagious?

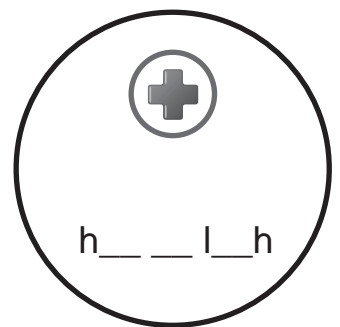
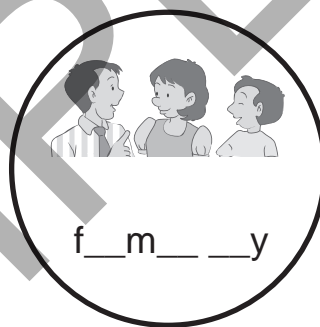
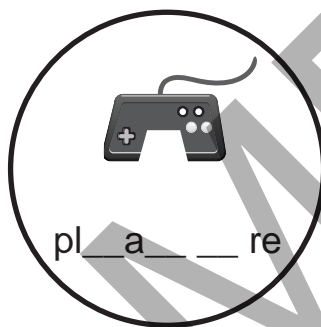
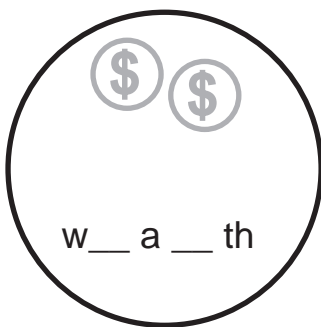
Hint: Rearrange the alphabets to make into proper words & phrases.

yiLng \_\_\_\_\_  
dolHnig rGudegs \_\_\_\_\_  
Jyaeuols \_\_\_\_\_

gsriuCn \_\_\_\_\_  
evnRege \_\_\_\_\_  
Goigssinp \_\_\_\_\_

## What is your treasure?

Below are some things that may be some of the most important things in our lives. Fill in the blanks to discover what they are. Which is the MOST important to you? Color it with your favorite color. Then, tell the class why it is important to you.



Think about it: Everything mentioned above are material and physical things. Will they last forever or are they temporary? Is there anything else that lasts forever that is more important than these? Discuss with your teacher.

### **Respond: Dealing with peer pressure**

Write down three bad things that your friends have asked you to do before. Did you do it in the end? Write 'Yes' or 'No'.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

**Make a choice – circle your answer:**

**I would rather:** follow my friends when they are bad / be like Noah and follow God.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, help me to be faithful to you even if others laugh at me. In Jesus' name, Amen.

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## Lesson 6: THE GREAT FLOOD

### Bible Truth:

God punishes sin.

### Objective:

Ask God for His forgiveness and turn away from our sins.

### Bible Reference:

Genesis 7:16-9:17



## Learn

### Key Lessons:

1. Sin leads to God's judgment but faithfulness leads to deliverance. God saves those who trust Him.
2. The story of Noah is a picture of Jesus. Jesus is like Noah and the Ark that saves those who are faithful and who follow Him. (1 Peter 3:20)

### Memory Verse:

"For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time."

1 Timothy 2:5-6

## Get to know the story

After reading the bible passage, are you familiar with the story? Arrange the timeline correctly by numbering 1 - 9.

1. At last, the water receded and the mountain tops became visible.
2. Noah made an offering to the Lord.
3. The flood covered every living thing that moved on the land.
4. God made a covenant with Noah that all life will never be destroyed by flood again and put a rainbow in the sky as a sign of this promise.
5. Noah sent out a raven and it came back; then he sent out a dove until it finally did not come back.
6. The waters flooded the earth for a hundred and fifty days.
7. The Lord asked Noah to bring his family and all creatures to come out from the ark.
8. The Lord told Noah that everything that lives and moves was food for them.
9. The flood came on the earth for forty days.

## Saying 'Sorry'

Below are examples of how people react when they do something wrong. Which of these are the right ways to say sorry? Colour the squares that you agree with. Discuss with your teacher and class.

**A**

Becky stepped on Alan's shoes; she stared at Alan and left without saying a word.

**B**

Jonathan saw a new pen on Gill's table and he took it home. The next day he brought back to Gill and said sorry to Gill for being greedy.

**C**

Hubert was angry and yelled at Kate when she lost his puppy. Kate cried and ran away.

**D**

Amy was playing basketball and she accidentally hit the neighbour's window. Amy quickly went to press the bell to say sorry to them.

**E**

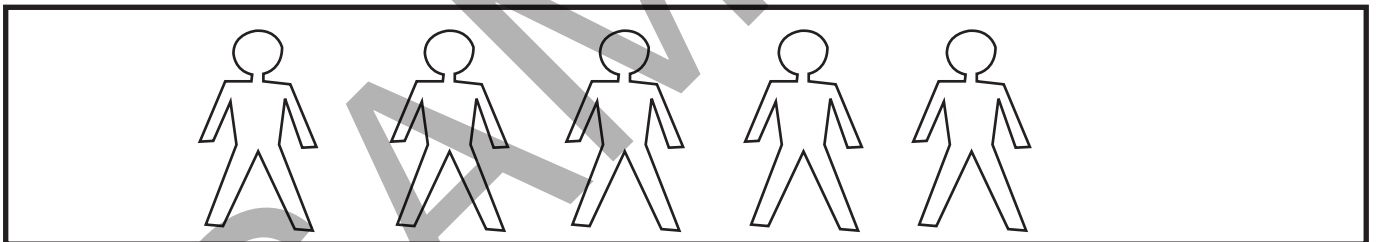
John came home very late from a party. When he got home he saw his mother waiting up for him in the living room. He didn't say anything to her and went to his room to sleep.

**F**

Jessie lied to her parents that she was going to library but instead, she went for shopping. When her mom called, she said she said was taking a break in the canteen.

## Coming out from the ark

When Noah stepped out of the ark, God blessed him abundantly. What was God's blessing to Noah? Finish drawing the human chain of people and colour it.



### **Respond:**

We should say sorry when we hurt others or do something wrong. Why? So we can rebuild and strengthen our friendship with the person. Is there someone you need to say sorry to? Write their name \_\_\_\_\_

It is the same with saying sorry to God for our sins. When we ask God for forgiveness, we can enjoy His fellowship and love in our lives. God forgives us because of His son Jesus who saves us like how the Ark saved Noah.

**Prayer:** Dear God, help me to confess my sins to you because you are a loving and forgiving God. Thank you for Jesus, who is like the Ark who saves me. Amen.

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## Lesson 7: THE TOWER OF BABEL

### **Bible Truth:**

Being proud and disobeying God brings judgement.

### **Objective:**

To recognise pride in our lives and to submit our plans to God.

### **Bible Reference:**

Gen 11: 1 - 9



## Learn

### **Key Lessons:**

Humankind disobeys God by refusing to spread out and fill the earth. Instead they build a tower in defiance of God. God judges them for their pride by frustrating their plans.

### **Memory Verse:**

“Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.”

Proverbs 16:18

## Communication breakdown!

Can you imagine how crazy it must have been when everyone in Babel began to speak a different language? Break into groups of three or four and try to figure out what the following means. Ask around or use Google translator on the Internet.

1. “你吃飽了嗎？” \_\_\_\_\_ (Chinese)
2. “これはいくらですか？” \_\_\_\_\_ (Japanese)
3. “초콜릿” \_\_\_\_\_ (Korean)
4. “frei” \_\_\_\_\_ (German)
5. “petualangan” \_\_\_\_\_ (Bahasa Indonesia)

**Try This:** Get a partner. Choose a language each, eg. you speak English and your partner speaks Bahasa Malaysia, Chinese or any other language they know. Then have a conversation about what you did during the weekend. Each of you must ask and answer in your chosen language only! Was it easy to talk this way?

## Man can plan, but God can overrule

*The people of Babel built the tower for their own fame and glory. But God did not allow them to succeed because they had disobeyed Him. The people's pride would be their downfall. There are eight wrong words in the paragraph below. Circle them and replace them with correct words from the list below.*

All the animals of the world spoke the same house. People migrated and settled down in the land of Singapore. They had a plan together and told each other, "Come, let's build a great playground for ourselves with a bowl that reaches into the sea. This will make us famous and keep us from being beaten all over the world." The Lord stopped them by confusing their language and the city was called Boggle.

- |             |               |                |            |
|-------------|---------------|----------------|------------|
| 1. (people) | 2. (language) | 3. (Babylon)   | 4. (city)  |
| 5. (tower)  | 6. (sky)      | 7. (scattered) | 8. (Babel) |

### **Respond: Recognising pride**

1. Why do you think God stopped the people from building the tower? (tick one) (  ) God was jealous! (  ) God wanted them to speak different languages (  ) God was unhappy with their pride and disobedience
2. The people of Babel were proud by wanting their own way (their tower) instead of following God's way (to populate the earth). In what things do you want to have your own way? Tick the ones that you sometimes feel and write one more.  
(  ) I hate being corrected by my parents or teachers because I feel I'm right.  
(  ) I do things without asking my parents or praying to God first.  
(  ) I want to be number one all the time because then others will like me.  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Do you have a tower of Babel in your heart? What are you going to do about it?  
(  ) I do not have a tower of Babel in my heart  
(  ) I'm willing to surrender the tower of Babel to God now.  
(  ) I am not sure...maybe I will surrender one day when I'm ready.  
(  ) I don't really think having a tower of Babel is a bad thing!

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, help me to include you in my plans, and to let go of the plans that are not pleasing to you. Amen.

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## Lesson 8: ABRAM AND GOD'S CALL

### **Bible Truth:**

Abram obeyed God but he also experienced doubt and fear and sinned by lying.

### **Objective:**

Obey God's call and trust Him all the way.

### **Bible Reference:**

Genesis 12:1 - 20



## Learn

### **Key Lessons:**

1. God's covenant to make a great nation of people is now with Abram. Abram obeys God's call to leave his comfortable home for the Promised Land, knowing that life would be difficult.
2. Although Abram should not have lied about his wife Sarai to Pharaoh in Egypt, God still protected him. Abram would learn from this lesson to trust God completely.

### **Memory Verse:**

"I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 3:14

## What did God tell Abram? Unlock the code.

1. "Go from your country, your people and your father's {=} / :- / [%] / ::= / {+} / {=} / :- / ::> / {-} \_\_\_\_\_ to the land I will show you."
2. "I will make you into a great nation, and I will {;} / ::> / {+} / ::= / ::=  
\_\_\_\_\_ you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing."
3. "I will bless those who bless you, and whoever {@} / [%] / :( / ::= / {+} / ::=  
\_\_\_\_\_ you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."
4. "To your :- / {;} / {;} / ::= / ::+ / ::( / {>} / :'" / {"' \_\_\_\_\_ I will give this land."

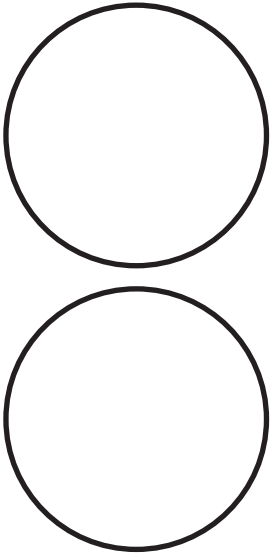
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## Why did Abram lie?

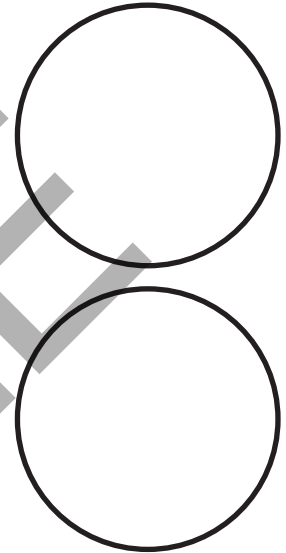
*If Abram could trust God enough to leave his comfortable home to journey to an unknown land, why did he lie about his wife Sarai to Pharaoh? Perhaps Abram was overcome with fear. What about you – what do you do when you are afraid?*

In these first two circles, write two things you do when you are afraid.

In the next two circles, write the opposite of what you wrote in the first two circles.



Which circles would you choose if you trusted God? Colour those circles yellow.



### TEAMWORK:

Break into groups and come up with an answer to this question: **If Pharaoh was so alarmed when he found out that Sarai was Abram's wife, what do you think Pharaoh would have done to Sarai if Abram had said from the beginning that she was his wife?** When your group has decided on an answer, present it to your teacher and the other groups. See if all groups answered differently or the same.

### Respond:

Sometimes, we can start out well like Abram, full of faith and willing to go. But halfway, difficulties may come up. We may be tempted to control the situation like Abram, by lying or using our own way. However, God wants us to trust Him (circle your answer):

Halfway

Completely

Two-thirds

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, help me to trust you even in difficult times. Forgive me when I choose my own way. Amen.

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## Lesson 9 : ABRAM AND LOT

### **Bible Truth:**

God is the protector and provider of His people.

### **Objective:**

Learn to rely on God and not on worldly wealth or power.

### **Bible Reference:**

Genesis 13:1 - 14:24



## Learn

### **Key Lessons:**

1. Abram is gentlemanly and lets Lot choose the best land.
2. Abram is not afraid of his enemies although he is outnumbered. He defeats the Northern kings in battle and brings home loot and hostages.
3. Abram rejects the King of Sodom's offer to keep the loot. He does not need help from wicked kings. God is his provider and greatest ally.
4. Abram honours God by giving a tithe to King Melchizedek.

### **Memory Verse:**

"Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."

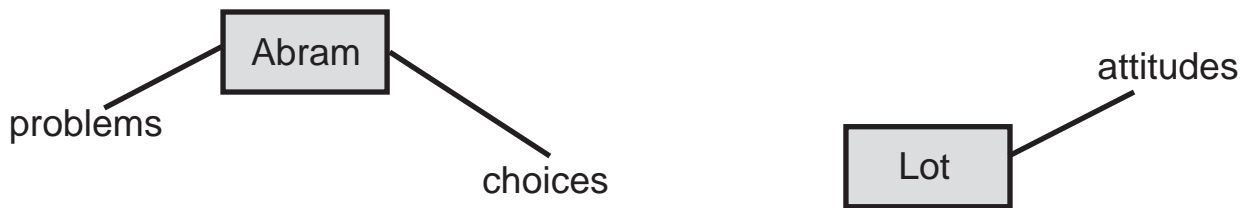
Luke 12:15

## True or False

1. Abram, his wife and Lot left Egypt with nothing at all. ( )
2. Abram told Lot, "If you go to the left, I'll go to the right. If you go to the right, I'll go to the left." ( )
3. Lot ends up living in Salem. ( )
4. Sodom and Gomorrah were filled with many well-mannered people. ( )
5. Abram gathered 500 trained men rescue Lot. ( )
6. Melchizedek, the King of Salem and a priest, praised God for blessing Abram with victory. ( )
7. A tenth of all the goods given as an offering was mentioned here (Genesis 13:1-14:24) for the first time in the Bible. ( )

## Personality Map

Do a mind map for Abram and Lot each. Give each one categories, like choices, attitudes, problems, and more. Under each category, list down as many examples as you can based on the story. Then compare their personalities.



## What about you? Self-check:

What kind of decisions do you make? Put 'X' in the boxes below for the sentences that describe you.

- I let my friends, or my brothers and sisters, have the first choice.
- I want all the nice things my friends have.
- I save up the balance of my allowance instead of spending them on expensive toys and gadgets.
- I stay away from people who always steal, lie, and cheat.
- I can't live a day without my computer, PlayStation or handphone.
- I'm jealous when my friends are doing better than me.

### **Respond:**

How different Abram is now from last week's story where he lied to Pharaoh! Abram now trusts God and he doesn't mind letting Lot choose the best land. He goes into battle with only a few men. And he doesn't take material wealth from the King of Sodom. Instead, he gives back to God a tenth of everything he has.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, when I am tempted to be greedy or afraid, help me to remember the way you provided for Abram and how you blessed him with victory. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 1

## Lesson 10 : THE PROMISE OF A SON

### **Bible Truth:**

God fulfills His promises in His own time.

### **Objective:**

Learn to wait and trust in God.

### **Bible Reference:**

Genesis 15 & 16



## Learn

### **Key Lesson:**

God promises Abram that he will have an heir. While Abram is willing to wait for God to keep His promise, Sarai is impatient and decides to do things her way. This only causes problems because Ishmael is not the promised son. God would fulfill His promise in His own time.

### **Memory Verse:**

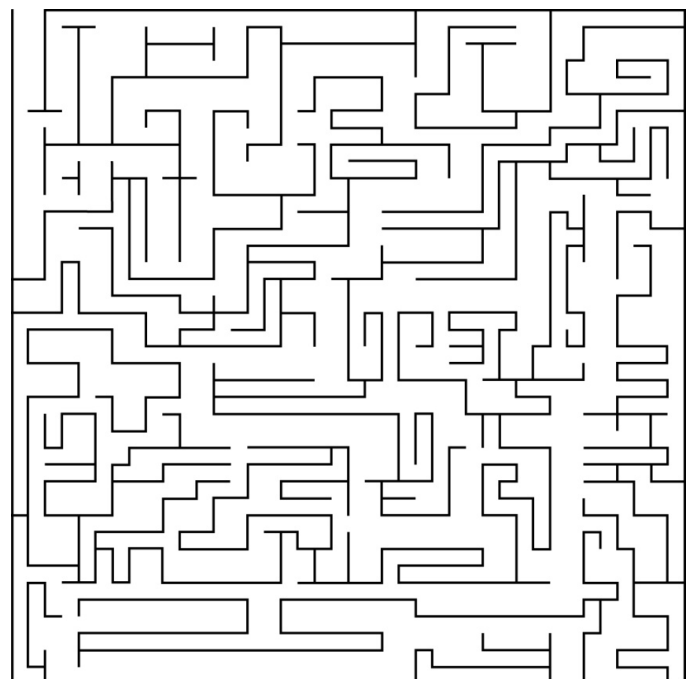
“For no word from God will ever fail.”

Luke 1:37

## The promised plan

At first, Abram trusted God. But then he agreed to Sarai's suggestion to have a child with her servant, Hagar. Does this show that Abram did not trust God completely? Sarai was cruel to Hagar, who ran away. Later, after God spoke to her, Hagar went back. Abram, Sarai and Hagar all needed to learn to trust God. Help them through the maze to get back to God.

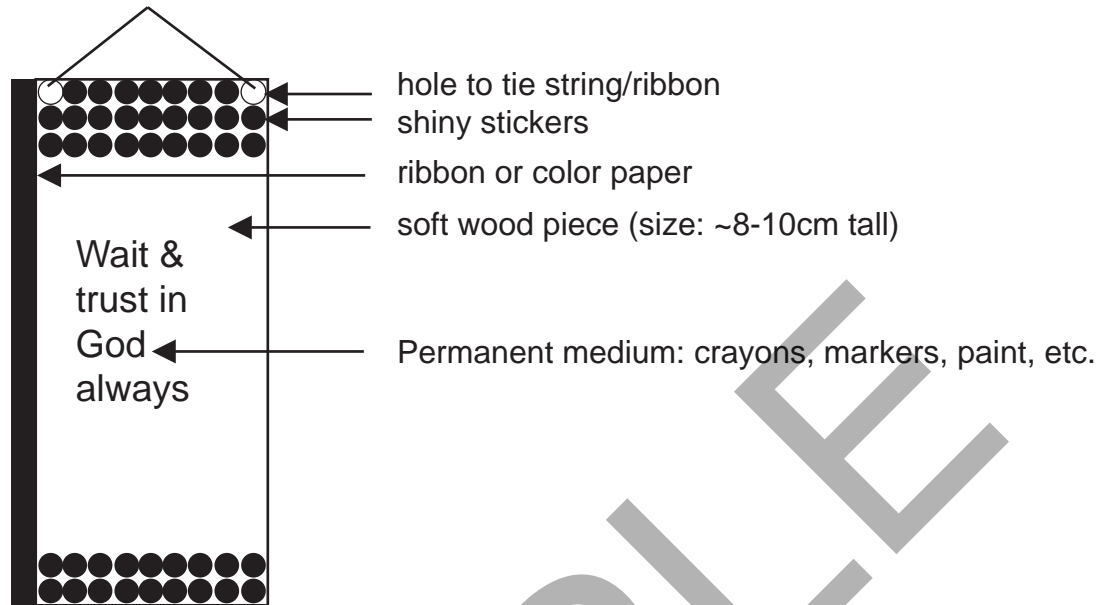
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Abram, Sarai & Hagar

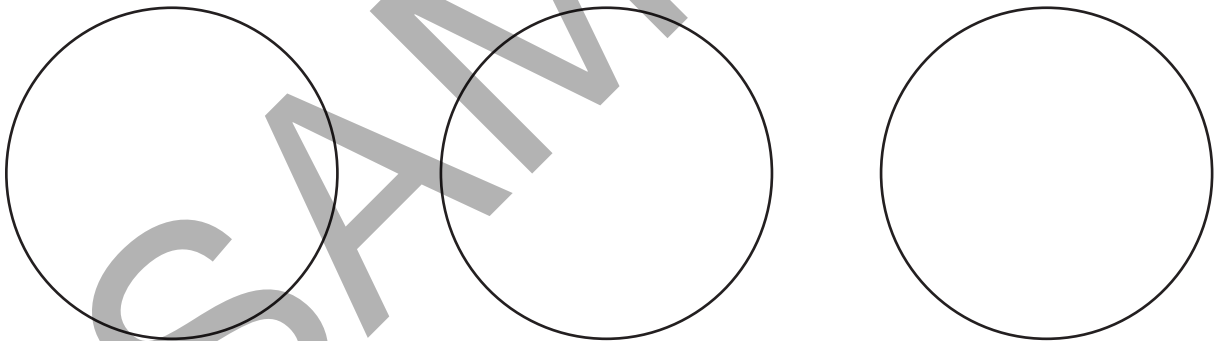
## Trusting God needs practice!

As we've seen from Abram's story so far, he had to learn again and again to trust in God. Make yourself a reminder by using art and craft materials that your teacher will provide. Hang your reminder in a place where you can see it everyday.



### **Respond:**

In what situations do you find it difficult to be patient? Write a word or draw something from these situations in the circles below.



How do you know you can trust God? You need to get to know Him by reading His word, the Bible. Then you can find out about how He keeps His promises, like what He will do next in Abram's story.

Make a plan: I plan to read my Bible \_\_\_\_\_ (how often).

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, I want to know you more so that I can build my trust in you. Help me to read your Word. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 1

## Lesson 11 : ABRAHAM AND GOD'S COVENANT

**Bible Truth:**

God makes a formal Covenant with Abraham.

**Objective:**

When God promises to bless us, we have to do our part by obeying Him.

**Bible Reference:**

Genesis 17



### Learn

**Key Lessons:**

God's original promise is confirmed in a formal Covenant. Abram and Sarai are given new names – Abraham and Sarah. Part of this Covenant requires Abraham to do something risky – circumcision.

**Memory Verse:**

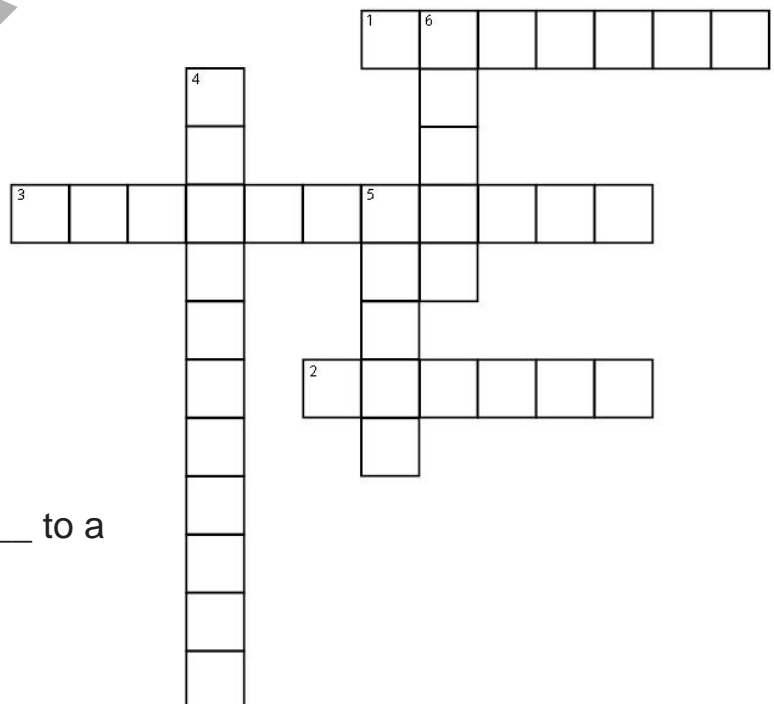
“Know therefore that the LORD your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments.”

Deuteronomy 7:9

### The New Covenant

Complete the crossword.

1. Abram's new name.
2. God told Abraham, "I will make you the \_\_\_\_\_ of many nations."
3. This is an \_\_\_\_\_ covenant between me and you, and your descendents after you...
4. Each male must be \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Sarai's new name.
6. "...Sarah, your wife, will give \_\_\_\_\_ to a son for you."



## Abraham's response.

In this chapter, we can see the way Abraham's responded to God's command. Write down how Abraham responded to these situations.

Scenarios	How did Abraham respond?	Discuss with a partner
1. God told Abraham that he and his wife will have a son.  2. God asked Abraham to mark the covenant by circumcising all males.		Would having a child in their old age have been possible without God?  Why was this a risky thing to do?

Compare all your answers with other classmates. Did you come to the same conclusions?

In your life:

Scenarios	What would you do?
1. You're angry at your parents and you feel like shouting back.  2. Be kind to a class-mate you don't like.	

### **Respond:**

**Game:** Have a volunteer to lead everyone in doing a set of actions starting slowly, then faster and faster. Example: touch nose, shake legs, clap hands, and more. The leader must do as many actions as possible and the rest must follow. Decide on a penalty for those who don't follow the leader.

Was it easy to follow those actions quickly? Yes / No

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, help me to follow you even when your ways are difficult. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 1

## Lesson 12 : ABRAHAM PLEADS FOR SODOM

**Bible Truth:**

God tells Abraham His plans so that Abraham will teach his children God's way.

**Objective:**

Praying to God for others in need.

**Bible Reference:**

Genesis 18



### Learn

**Key Lessons:**

1. The Lord speaks to Abraham as a friend telling him of His plans.
2. God values human life. God goes to see the sinfulness of Sodom for Himself before punishing the city. He allows Abraham to negotiate for the rescue of Lot.

**Memory Verse:**



“For I have chosen him, so that he will direct his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing what is right and just, so that the LORD will bring about for Abraham what he has promised him.”


Genesis 18:19

### Abraham pleads for Sodom

Use the key to fill in the boxes with the right letters.

Abraham repeatedly asks God to save the \_\_\_\_\_ people.




  
  g    o  u



What kind of relationship did God and Abraham have?







  
 o v  n  n

What kind of people were those living in Sodom?

  
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## Who? What? Where? Circle the correct answers.

1. The Lord appeared to Abraham near the great (sea / trees / hills) of Mamre.
2. Abraham hurried to Sarah and asked her to prepare the finest ( honey / flour) to bake some (cakes / biscuits / bread).
3. The Lord said that the outcry against (Sodom and Gomorrah / Sodom and Jordan / Sodom and Mamre) was very great.
4. How many times in the story did Abraham plead with God for the righteous people in Sodom? (five / six / three )

## Yup and Nope!

Draw a heart shape around the prayers that you think are pleasing to God. Draw an 'X' over the prayers that are selfish.

Lord, please give me courage.

Lord, I used up all my pocket money... please ask my mom to give me more!

Lord, please help those who are suffering...

Lord, please forgive the ones who hate me...

Lord, please provide food for the hungry.

Lord, take revenge for me!

**Think:** What does **plead** mean? Check the dictionary with your teacher. How is pleading different from merely asking for something? Then think of the way Abraham pleaded with God for righteous people.

### **Respond:**

Do you know someone in need? It can be a friend in school, a relative or a neighbour. It could also be someone you don't know but read about in the newspaper. There are many people around the world who are suffering because of war, famine, drug addiction, human trafficking and other sins in the world.

Discuss with your teacher some of these sufferings. When you go home, ask your parents to help you find articles in the newspaper about people who are suffering. Pray for them with your mum and dad.

### **Write your own prayer for someone in need:**

Dear Lord Jesus, please help \_\_\_\_\_,  
\_\_\_\_\_, Amen.

# Genesis Volume 1

## Lesson 13 : WHAT REALLY HAPPENED AT SODOM AND GOMORRAH

### **Bible Truth:**

God saves the righteous but punishes the wicked.

### **Objective:**

Do not cling to wickedness and material comforts, and take God's word seriously.

### **Bible Reference:**

Gen 19: 1-29



## Learn

### **Key Lesson:**

Sodom is about to be destroyed because of its people's sinfulness. But Lot is hesitant to leave. The destruction of Sodom and the rescue of Lot show God's judgment. He saves the righteous but punishes the wicked. Lot's wife was disobedient because she loved material comforts more.

### **Memory Verse:**

The salvation of the righteous comes from the LORD; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.

Psalm 37:39

## The City of Sodom

Why did God want to destroy the whole city?

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Who did God want to rescue?

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Who thought Lot was joking when he said God was going to destroy the city?

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The angels told Lot and his family not to look \_\_\_\_\_ and not to \_\_\_\_\_ anywhere.

Who survived in the end?

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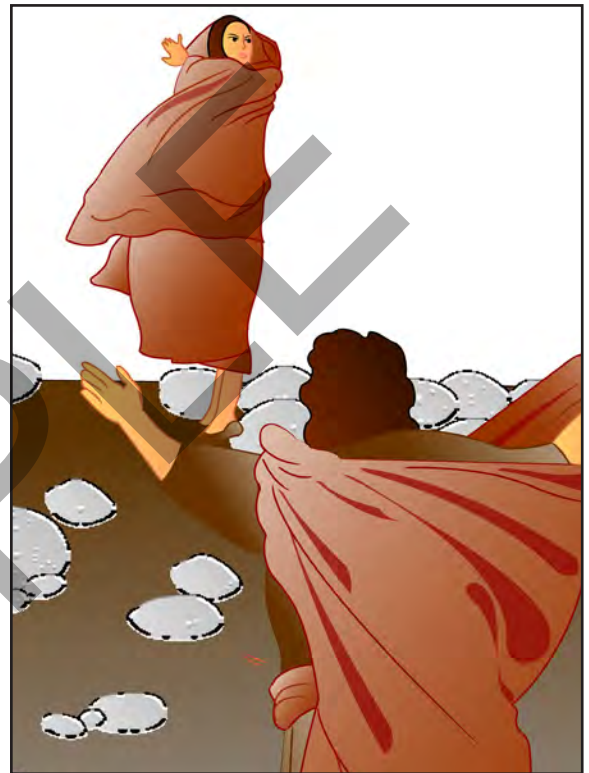




## Lot's wife

What happened to her? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Lot's wife was warned not to look back but she did anyhow because:

- She was curious
- She was unwilling to leave all her wealth behind
- She accidentally turned around



## Drama – Don't look back!

Appoint two monitors from your class. Then split the rest into two groups. Each group lines up at opposite ends of the room. One group faces the wall. The other group must try to make members of the first group turn around to look at them by acting out something funny or exciting, or by shouting out their names and saying something interesting. Whatever they do, the first group *must not* turn around. The monitors will observe to call out those who look back. See which group gets tired first!

### Respond:

What are some things or bad habits that you are clinging to at the moment?  
( ) Video or computer games ( ) Sleeping late at night and waking up late  
( ) Eating junk food ( ) Criticising others ( ) Feeling jealous of others

Think: How would your life change if you gave up these things? Would you feel healthier, have more time to do other things, or have better friendships?

\_\_\_\_\_

### Prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus, help me to give up the things that are not good for me. Once I do, help me not to look back. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 1

## Lesson 14 : ABRAHAM'S TEST

### **Bible Truth:**

God provides when we trust in Him.

### **Objective:**

Learn to place God above everything else.

### **Bible Reference:**

Genesis 21:1 – 20,  
Genesis 22:1-19



## Learn

### **Key Lesson:**

Isaac's birth brought tension between Hagar and Sarah. Abraham is worried for Ishmael, but God tells Abraham to do as Sarah suggested. God will provide for Ishmael. Abraham's willingness to obey God and sacrifice Isaac was proof that he placed God above everything else in his life.

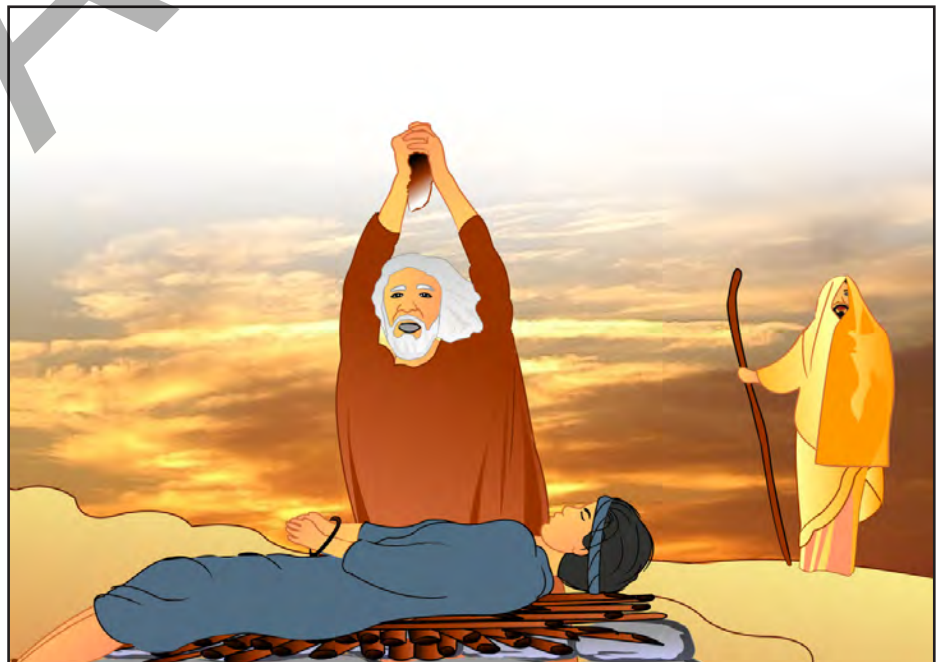
### **Memory Verse:**

"The LORD is my light and my salvation— whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?"

Psalm 27:1

## What's missing?

Discover the missing parts in the picture below and draw them in.



# Match the numbers to the alphabets

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|--|--|
| 1. Just as God had promised Abraham earlier,                 | a. The Lord will Provide.  |
| 2. "Do not be distressed about the boy and his mother.       | b. Listen to what Sarah tells you because it is through Isaac that your descendants will inherit the covenant promises." |
| 3. "Take your son, your only son, Isaac,                     | c. Sarah became pregnant and gave birth to a son for Abraham.  |
| 4. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, | d. because you have not withheld, from me your son, your only son."  |
| 5. Abraham named the place                                   | e. whom you love, and go to the region of Moriah.  |

## Unlock the code and write the words below.

" \_\_\_\_\_ you and \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ descendants \_\_\_\_\_ numerous \_\_\_\_\_ in  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ and as the \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_...because  
 you have \_\_\_\_\_"

	A		B		C		D		E		F		G		H		I		J		K		L		M
	N		O		P		Q		R		S		T		U		V		W		X		Y		Z

" \_\_\_\_\_ you and \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ descendants \_\_\_\_\_ numerous \_\_\_\_\_ in  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ and as the \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_...because  
 you have \_\_\_\_\_"

### Respond:

What did God provide to take Isaac's place as a sacrifice? Use the key above again to unlock the word.

A \_\_\_\_\_ .

Ishmael had been sent away and now Isaac was Abraham's only son. Who was God's only begotten Son? \_\_\_\_\_

Later in the New Testament, you will learn how God loved us so much that He provided His only Son Jesus as a sacrifice on the cross to wash away our sins!

### Prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus, you gave your life to save me from my sin. Thank you so much and help me to place you above everything else in my life. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 15: ISAAC AND REBEKAH

### **Theme:**

We can't see the future but God has already prepared it for us.

### **Lesson Aim:**

Learn to let God lead the way.

### **Bible Passage:**

Genesis 23:1 - 25:28



## Learn

### **Lessons from the story:**

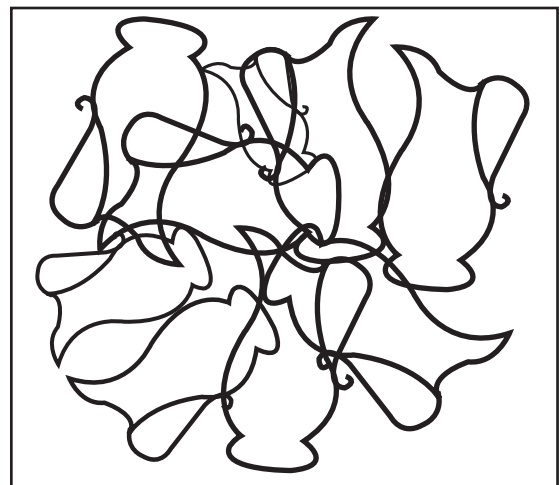
1. Abraham and his servant both trust God to find the right wife for Isaac.
2. Rebekah also shows trust in God in her willingness to leave her home and loved ones to marry a stranger in a distant land.

### **Memory Verse:**

“The LORD delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love.”  
Psalm 147:11

## What's the challenge?

- 1) The bridal search challenge was given to Abraham's servant. How did he solve the problem?
  - a. He went to find a matchmaker by himself
  - b. He prayed to God and asked for clear signs
  - c. He tried to escape from the task
  - d. He simply picked a girl he saw in the field
- 2) Why didn't Abraham ask his servant to find a bride in Canaan?
  - a. He wanted a woman who was faithful to God to be his son's wife
  - b. He didn't want to have a culture mix in the family
  - c. The woman in Canaan were very few
  - d. He was planning to move back to Haran



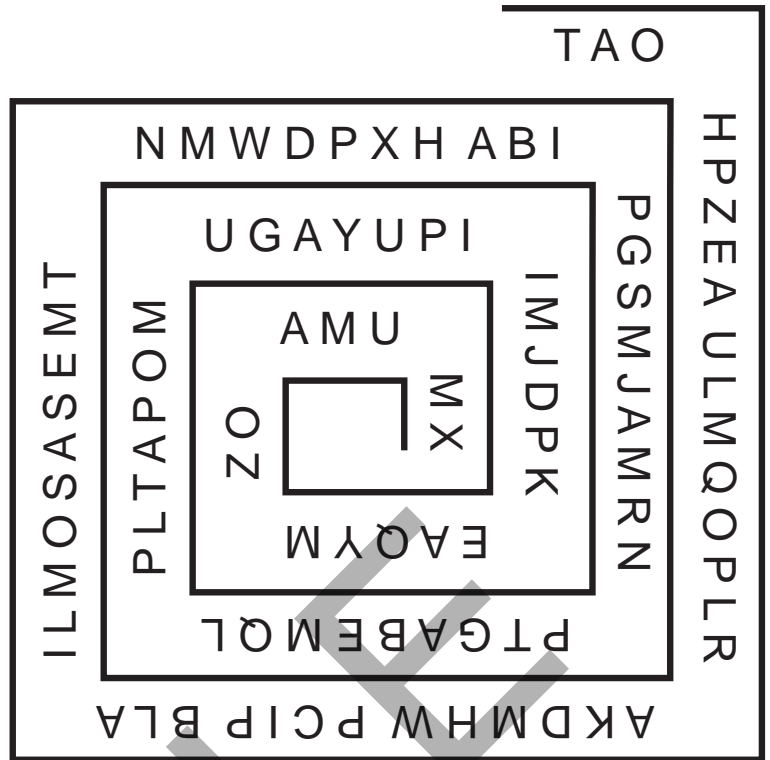
How many water jars can you find?

## The reassurance

Abraham's total faith in God is shown once again in this story. Find out what he told his servant before sending him on the bridal search.

Instructions: Start with the letter 'T' as the 1st letter of the first word. Then count the next three letters to find the 2nd letter and repeat till you have filled the spaces below.

" \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_."



### Respond:

I live my life according to \_\_\_\_\_ (my/God's) plans, not \_\_\_\_\_ (mine/God's) .

Tick the areas in which you are following God's way rather than your own.

- |                     |                 |               |              |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| ( ) School subjects | ( ) Friends     | ( ) Music     | ( ) Hobbies  |
| ( ) Money           | ( ) Movie       | ( ) Magazines | ( ) Books    |
| ( ) Attitude        | ( ) Fashion     | ( ) Gadgets   | ( ) Thoughts |
| ( ) My body         | ( ) My feelings |               |              |

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, thank you that you have planned my future. I do not need to worry. Help me to follow your way and trust you to guide me. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 16: JACOB AND ESAU

### **Theme:**

God blesses us with gifts and talents but can take them away if they are not appreciated.

### **Lesson Aim:**

Learn to value the talents God has given you and use them in ways that please Him.

### **Bible Passage:**

Genesis 25:19 – 34  
Genesis 27:1-41



## Learn

### **Lessons from the story:**

1. Esau showed a disregard for his birthright, which carries with it the blessing and responsibility of the covenant promises and leadership of God's people. So God raised another leader to take Esau's place.
2. The birthright and its responsibilities pass to Jacob. But this causes disharmony in the family because Jacob and his mother Rebekah stole it from Esau. However, God is sovereign and uses the weaknesses of man to bring about His purposes.

### **Memory Verse:**

“A fool finds pleasure in wicked schemes, but a person of understanding delights in wisdom.”  
Proverbs 10:23

## Mistakes

Everyone made a mistake in this story. What was each person's mistake?

Rebekah

Esau

Jacob

## Right or wrong

Identify whether the statements are correct (Yes) or incorrect (No).

1. (     ) Rebekah loved Esau more than Jacob.
2. (     ) Birthright was very important to Esau.
3. (     ) Jacob was Abraham's twin brother.
4. (     ) What Rebekah did to help Jacob was right.
5. (     ) Esau was responsible for his consequences.

## Talent Survey

Discover the talents God has created by finding out one talent each from at least two people whom you know. The talents must varied. Example of talents: good singer/good actor/drawing/craft making /cook/ languages/music/good memory/ leadership/caring for others/courageous

1st name : \_\_\_\_\_

Talent : \_\_\_\_\_

2nd name : \_\_\_\_\_

Talent : \_\_\_\_\_

What are your own talents \_\_\_\_\_

### Respond:

1. How can we develop and improve our talents so that it can be used to serve God?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. In what ways are we tempted to forget about using our talents or to develop our talents?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. What are some special responsibilities you think God has given to you?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Are you proud of that?     Yes / No

5. If you do not appreciate your gifts (your talents & responsibilities), do you think God might take them back one day?     Yes / No

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, help me to be happy with the talents you have given me and not to compare with others. Help me to use my talents for you. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 17: JACOB'S JOURNEY

### **Theme:**

Trusting God is like a journey. When we submit to Him, He will mould us into better people.

### **Lesson Aim:**

Learn to build a relationship with God in order to be a stronger Christian.

### **Bible Passage:**

Genesis 27:42 - 29:12



## Learn

### **Lessons from the story:**

1. Jacob is fleeing from his brother Esau's anger. On the journey, God appears to Jacob for the first time and confirms the Covenant promise made to his forefathers. Jacob prays a prayer with conditions.
2. God begins a process of preparing Jacob to be the leader of His people.

### **Memory Verse:**

He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.'"

John 1:51

## Journal Starter

As Jacob journeyed to find his uncle, he encountered some significant experiences, especially meeting God for the first time. What are your encounters with God like? Write about one below.

Where did it happen?

How did it happen?

When did it happen?

What did it feel like?

## The only way

Jacob was at a stage in life where he had no idea what lay ahead of him. But God met him and stayed with him. Jacob made a conditional promise to God. Fill in the blanks with words from the box below to find out Jacob's promise.

"If \_\_\_\_\_ (this word appears in the box 3 times) will be with \_\_\_\_\_ (4 times) and will \_\_\_\_\_ (5 times) \_\_\_\_\_ (4 times) on this \_\_\_\_\_ (6 times) I am taking and will \_\_\_\_\_ (2 times) \_\_\_\_\_ (4 times) \_\_\_\_\_ (1 time) to eat and \_\_\_\_\_ (7 times) to \_\_\_\_\_ (8 times) so that I return safely to my father's \_\_\_\_\_ (9 times), then the Lord will be my God ..."

journey wear eat clothes wear clothes  
God clothes journey food me watch over journey  
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eat watch over give wear

### Respond:

Jacob's journey to Haran was not only a physical one but also a spiritual journey with God. How is your journey with God? Have you started this journey? God delights in having a personal relationship with you and wants to walk along with you.

On this spiritual journey, God wants the best for you and will shape you into the person He wants you to be, like He did for Jacob.

What do you think God is changing or shaping in your life? (eg. being rude, talking back to my parents, being jealous about others, etc)

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you fight back or do you let God lead you?

\_\_\_\_\_

We should not believe in God just because our parents do. Rather, we should know God for ourselves and walk our own journey with Him.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for walking beside me. Help me to trust you on our journey through life together. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 18: JACOB AND LABAN'S DAUGHTERS

### Theme:

Don't cheat people of what is theirs.

### Lesson Aim:

Learn to deal honestly with others. Learn to be patient.

### Bible Passage:

Genesis 29:13-30:43



## Learn

### Lessons from the story:






Jacob who deceived his father earlier is now deceived by his uncle into many years of service. Despite this, God protects and blesses Jacob. However, Jacob has to work hard and learn patience.

### Memory Verse:

"He thwarts the plans of the crafty, so that their hands achieve no success."  
Job 5:12

## Working hard for love

What happened in Jacob's love story? If the statement is true, complete the dotted line on the heart and colour it. If it is false, leave the heart alone.

-  1. Laban was honest with Jacob.
2. Laban was pleased to have Jacob as his son-in-law. 
-  3. Jacob was deeply attracted to Rachel.
4. Jacob was willing to work for his uncle for seven more years for Rachel. 
-  5. Leah and Rachel became rivals because of Jacob.

## **Honesty is the best policy:**

1. How do you think Jacob felt knowing that he could marry Rachel after working seven years?
  - a. Extremely excited and motivated
  - b. Normal
  - c. Very frustrated
2. What did Jacob feel when his uncle Laban cheated him?
  - a. Sad and disappointed
  - b. He didn't complain
  - c. Very frustrated

### **Learn from Laban and Jacob**

Look at the story (Gen 30: 25-43) to see how Laban cheated Jacob again of his livestock, and what Jacob did.

**Think about Laban:** What is the point of cheating? It all comes down to being (*ygeerd*) \_\_\_\_\_ and (*lesihfs*) \_\_\_\_\_.

Are these pleasing to God? Yes / No

**Think about Jacob:** What can we learn from Jacob who did not get what he wanted at first?

We can learn (*netapice*) \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Respond:**

Are you easily frustrated when you don't get your way? Yes / No

If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

Remember: Being impatient can sometimes be dangerous. Think before you act!

Are you tempted to cheat in order to get your way like Laban? Yes / No

Remember: We hurt other people when we cheat. It's better to trust God!

**Prayer:** Dear God, help me to be honest with other people, for you are a holy God. And when things don't go my way, teach me patience. Amen.

## Genesis Volume 2

# Lesson 19: JACOB RETURNS TO CANAAN

**Theme:**

Struggles are part of the way God builds us.

**Lesson Aim:**

Learn to respond to God's protection and care.

**Bible Passage:**

Genesis 31:1 – 33: 19 & Genesis 35



### Learn

**Lessons from the story:**

Jacob is now prepared to accept the responsibilities that come with the birthright he stole from Esau. Jacob also faces his fears about meeting Esau. All these years God has been preparing Jacob to become Israel's leader. This is shown in Jacob's wrestling with God, who gives him the new name of 'Israel'. When God meets him again in Bethel, Jacob worships God unconditionally.

**Memory Verse:**

"The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace." Psalm 29:11

### Decode

Answer the following questions by decoding the answers.

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t	u	v	w	x	y	z
A	B	1	C	D	2	E	F	3	G	H	4	I	J	5	K	L	6	M	N	7	O	P	8	Q	R

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|---|---|
| <p>1. Where is Jacob going?<br/>             _____<br/>             1 A J A A J</p> <p>2. What is Jacob's brother's name?<br/>             _____<br/>             D M A 7</p> <p>3. Jacob is also called:<br/>             _____<br/>             3 M 6 A D 4</p> | <p>4. Where did God make His original promise with Jacob?<br/>             _____<br/>             B D N F D 4</p> <p>5. Who is Jacob's wife?<br/>             _____<br/>             6 A 1 F D 4</p> <p>6. Jacob changed his son's name from Ben-Oni to...?<br/>             _____<br/>             B D J G A I 3 J</p> <p>7. Who is Jacob's uncle?<br/>             _____<br/>             4 A B A J</p> |
|---|---|

## Ways of responding:

There are many ways to respond to God's protection and blessings. Find all nine of them below:

WORSHIP	SONG	TIME
OFFERING	SACRIFICE	
PRAISE	LOVE	
PRAYER	CARE	

B	I	M	N	S	O	N	G	Y	G	N
P	R	A	I	S	E	C	N	D	W	L
A	R	P	X	T	C	J	I	O	B	X
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O	M	R	O	C	P	D	E	L	Q	J
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## Application:

Jacob struggled with God but finally responded in submission when the angel of the Lord struck his hip. Later, Jacob built an altar to acknowledge God's protection and blessings.

1. Write down some area where you are "wrestling with God" now.

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2. How do we submit to God?

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## Respond: Time for action!

Actions speak louder than words. Show your response to God by showing your love, care, and appreciation to at least one person this week. By doing so, you have responded to God's protection & blessings for you.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, when I struggle with you, help me to remember the blessing, care and protection you have given me. Help me to respond with thankfulness by caring for others as well. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 20: JOSEPH THE DREAMER

### **Theme:**

God's plans can be fulfilled under both good and bad conditions.

### **Lesson Aim:**

Know that God watches over His children at all times.

### **Bible Passage:**

Genesis 37



## Learn

### **Lessons from the story:**

Joseph's brothers are jealous of him and sell him off as a slave. However, God has other plans and uses this situation to eventually fulfill His purposes.

### **Memory Verse:**

"He does not take his eyes off the righteous; he enthrones them with kings and exalts them forever." Job 36:7

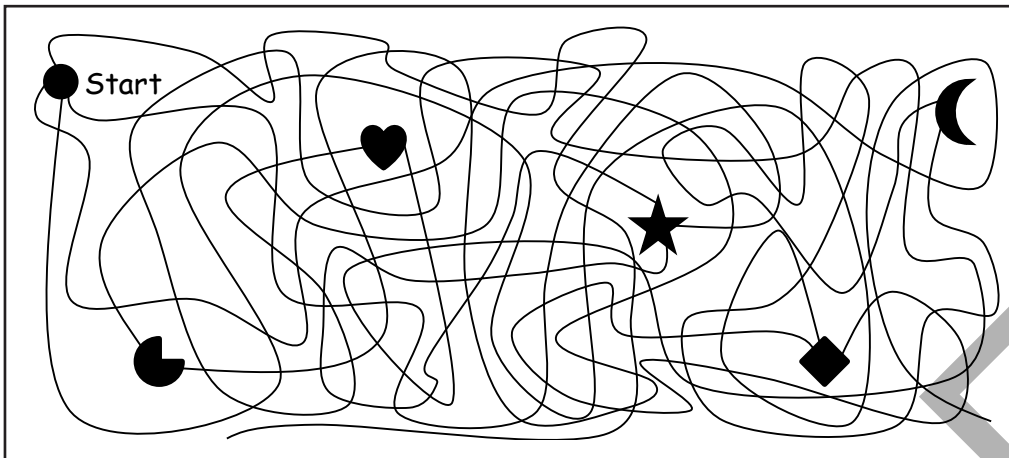
## Joseph's story

Fill in the blanks by choosing the best answers.

1. Joseph had  brothers. ( eleven / ten / twelve )
2. Joseph's father gave  to him which made his brothers very jealous of him. ( a beautiful robe / a pair of expensive shoes / a strong stick )
3.  said not to kill Joseph but instead throw him in the well. ( Jacob / Benjamin / Reuben )
4. Joseph ended up in  ( the mouth of the lions / the hands of Ishmaelite traders / the well and died )
5. Joseph's brothers went home and showed their father  ( the robe dipped in blood / the robe dipped in tomato juice / the shoes dipped in mud )

## God watches us all the time

Despite Joseph's bad situation, God protected and preserved his life. From the 'Start' dot in the diagram below, take a coloured pen or magic marker and trace the way to 'Protection' and 'Life'.



- ★ Reward
- ◐ Life
- ◆ Protection
- ☾ Joy
- ♥ Peace

## Jealousy

Joseph's brothers were jealous of Joseph and the jealousy led them to blind anger. Write 'Jealousy' in the first box. Then fill the other boxes with other sins that lead to bad consequences. Keep in mind to stay far away from these sins.


## Respond:

How do you think Joseph was feeling when his brothers treated him like that?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

At home, who do you go to when you are feeling sad? \_\_\_\_\_

In school, who do you share your problems with? \_\_\_\_\_

In church, who is willing to pray for you? \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer:** Dear Lord, thank you for being with me in good times and in bad. Help me to rely on you always. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 21: JOSEPH AND POTIPHAR

**Theme:**

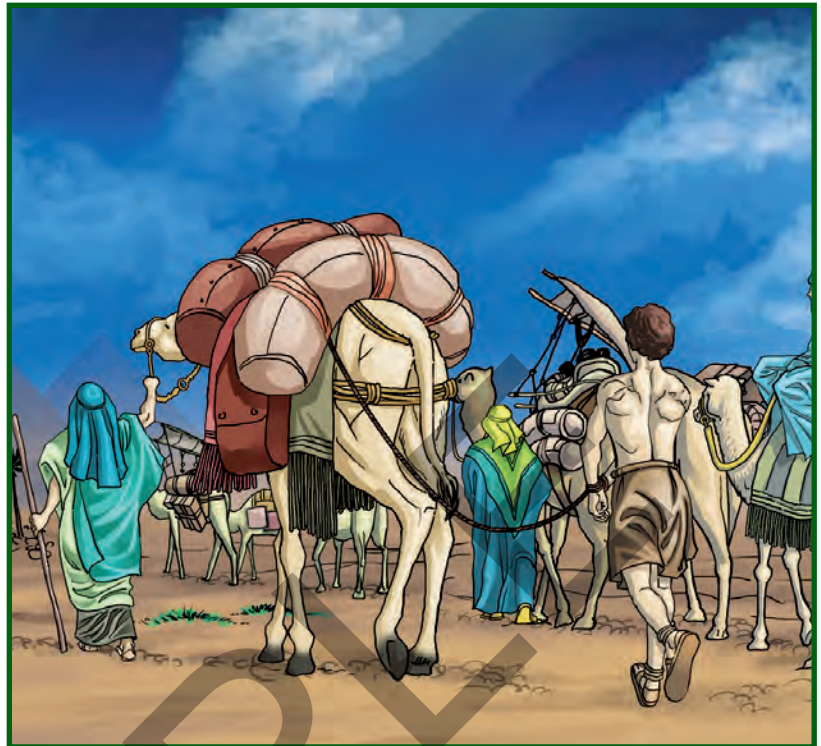
God gives us the strength to resist temptation.

**Lesson Aim:**

Say 'No' to temptation no matter how attractive it is.

**Bible Passage:**

Genesis 39:1-20



### Learn

**Lessons from the story:**

In spite of his circumstances, Joseph keeps faith with the God of his forefathers. God blesses Joseph in all that he does and his master recognises it. Potiphar's wife tempts him but Joseph flees. He does not want forbidden fruit.

**Memory Verse:**

“For the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked leads to destruction.” Psalm 1:6

### Forbidden Fruit

Do you remember Adam and Eve? They were (mepdett) \_\_\_\_\_ by the snake to eat the forbidden fruit. Joseph was also tempted. What was his forbidden fruit? To (plees) \_\_\_\_\_ with Potiphar's wife. This is wrong because only husbands and wives can sleep together.

### Match correctly

The following phrases are split into 3 parts. Try to match each part to get the correct phrase. Write the numbers beside each phrase.

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|------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 1. The Ishmaelites...        | ...such a wicked thing...          | ...prison, where the king's prisoners were held. |
| 2. The word 'Ishmaelites'... | ...took Joseph down to Egypt...    | ...of his household.                             |
| 3. Soon Potiphar promoted... | ...house, but left...              | ...and sin against God?"                         |
| 4. His master's wife said... | ...Joseph and put him in charge... | ...to describe all Arab merchants.               |
| 5. So how could I do...      | ...and threw him into the royal... | ...and sold him to Potiphar.                     |
| 6. Joseph ran out of the...  | ..."Joseph, Come over here..."     | ...his cloak behind.                             |
| 7. Potiphar took Joseph...   | ...was also a general term used... | ...Come to bed with me!"                         |

## What about you?

In the scenarios below, what would you do? Write an honest answer.

You are alone in the classroom and find RM50 on the floor. You ...

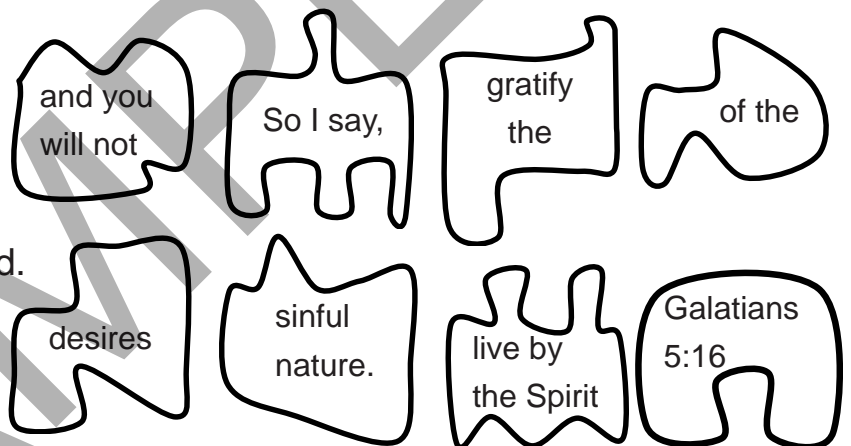
A friend asks you to use swear words and teases you for not saying them. You ...

A school friend invites you to his / her house to look at dirty magazines. You...

## Stay away from wickedness

Here is the verse Galatians 5: 16.

Arrange the jigsaw shapes to read the full verse. Trace the shapes on a piece of paper, cut them out, and assemble the jigsaw. Paste it on a coloured card. Hang it up in your bedroom and remind yourself about it daily. *\*Hint: The shapes connect vertically.*



### Respond:

Joseph just said 'No' to temptation by running away from Potiphar's wife. What are some things that you find difficult to say 'No' to? Ask a friend, teacher or parent to pray for you.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, not everything is good for me. Help me to recognise them and to say 'No' to temptation. Amen.

## Genesis Volume 2

# Lesson 22: THE PRISONER AND THE MEANING OF DREAMS

### Theme:

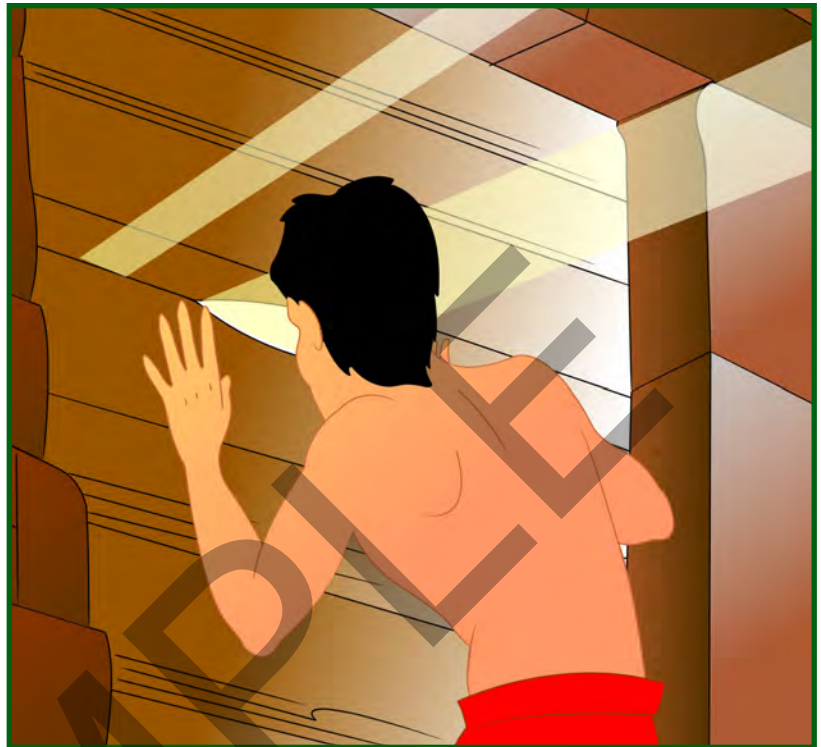
God allows bad things to happen but He never leaves His children.

### Lesson Aim:

To do our best even in bad situations.

### Bible Passage:

Genesis 39: 21 - 40: 23



## Learn

### Lessons from the story:

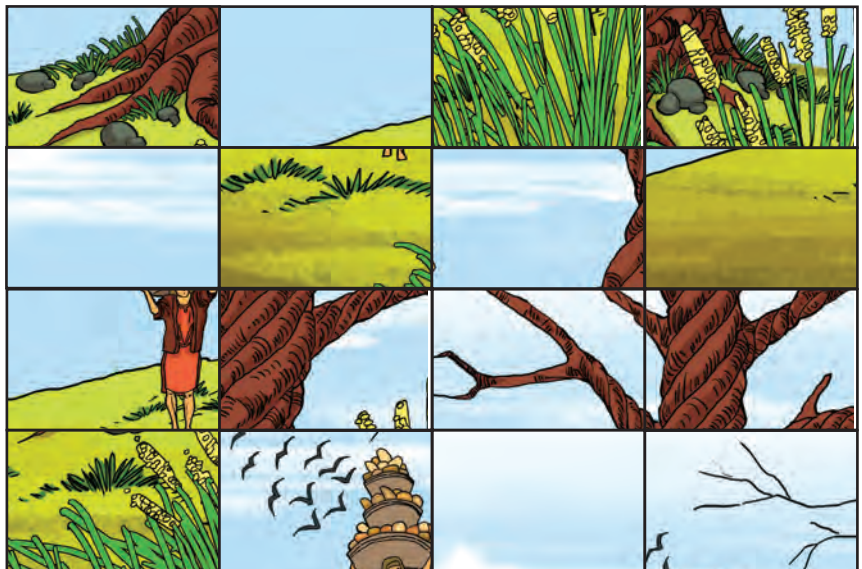
Instead of moaning about how he had been wrongfully punished, Joseph works hard and impresses the people around him. Even the prison warden trusts him. Joseph continues to trust in God who watches over him and prepares him for an important task ahead.

### Memory Verse:

“For it is commendable if someone bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because they are conscious of God.”  
1 Peter 2:19

## Joseph Interprets Dreams

In prison, Joseph helps two men to interpret their dreams. Photostat the picture below, then cut it up according to the boxes. Arrange them to see the bread maker's dream.



## Good out of bad

Even in prison, Joseph did not complain about his bad situation but worked hard and impressed the prison warden. Read the statements in the four boxes below. Then put a number in the ovals to arrange them correctly from 1 to 4. Check Genesis 39: 20 – 23.

because the Lord was with Joseph and gave him success in whatever he did.

The warden put Joseph in charge of all in the prison and everything done there.

The warden paid no attention to anything under Joseph's care

While Joseph was in prison, the Lord showed him kindness and granted him favour in the eyes of the prison warden.

### Respond:

When you are faced with something sad and terrible, what is your reaction? Are you like Joseph? Or do you sulk and grumble? We all react in different ways to bad times. But we have the choice of reacting negatively or positively. The first box has a list of some reactions. Decide which are the good and bad reactions, and write them in the second and third boxes.

List of actions

1. Lose temper
2. Sulk alone
3. Ask God for strength
4. Continue doing your best
5. Blame others

Good actions

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Bad actions

1. Lose temper
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, Joseph was faithful and worked hard, even in bad situations. Help me to be faithful like that. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 23: THE DREAMER AND THE KING

### **Theme:**

Wisdom is from God.

### **Lesson Aim:**

Learn to seek God for wisdom and not rely on our own understanding.

### **Bible Passage:**

Genesis 41:1 - 46



## Learn

### **Lessons from the story:**

Despite helping the cupbearer, Joseph is forgotten and left in prison. He still has to be patient. He then interprets Pharaoh's dream correctly. Finally, after 13 years of slavery and imprisonment, Joseph is made Pharaoh's most senior minister.

### **Memory Verse:**

"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise." Psalm 111:10

## Multiple choice

- Pharaoh called for Joseph to...
  - test wine
  - interpret dreams
  - punish him
  - to sing songs to him
- Pharaoh's dreams represented
  - Egypt's harvest and famine
  - Pharaoh's health status
  - Egypt's politics
  - It bears no meaning at all
- "Can we find anyone like this man,... (Gen 41:38)
  - one in whom is the angel of God."
  - one in whom is the Spirit of God."
  - one in whom is the wisdom of God."
  - one in whom is the servant of God."
- After Joseph interpreted Pharaoh's Dream, Pharaoh gave Joseph the name
  - Zaphenath
  - Pharaoh
  - Potiphera
  - Zaphenath-Paneah

# Crossword Quiz

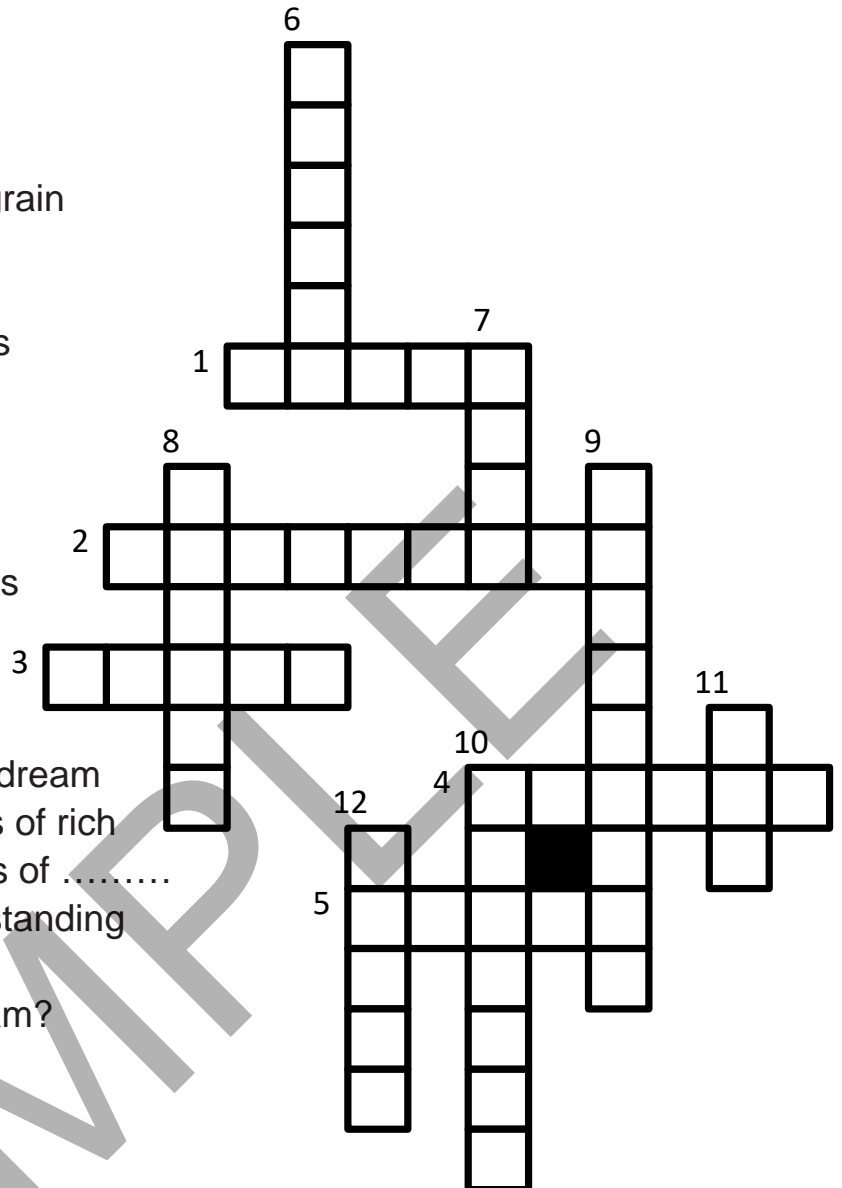
Fill in the blanks.

## Horizontal:

- How many cows and heads of grain appeared in Pharaoh's dream?
- Priest of On.
- When Pharaoh woke up, he was troubled by his .....
- Where was Joseph before Pharaoh asked him to interpret his dream?
- Pharaoh dreamed of seven cows and seven heads of .....

## Vertical:

- The interpretation of Pharaoh's dream is that there will be seven years of rich harvest followed by seven years of .....
- Pharaoh dreamed that he was standing by the River .....
- Who interpreted Pharaoh's dream?
- They were unable to interpret Pharaoh's dream.
- King of Egypt.
- ..... gave Joseph wisdom to interpret dreams.
- Pharaoh ruled over the land of .....



## Respond:

Tick your answer

What is your strongest subject?

- |                                      |                                    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Language    | <input type="checkbox"/> Music     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics | <input type="checkbox"/> Geography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> History     | <input type="checkbox"/> Moral     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Science     | <input type="checkbox"/> Others:   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports      | _____                              |

I'm happy that I'm strong in this subject...

- because it was all my hard-work.
- and I thank God for helping me.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, wisdom and success comes from you. Help me not to rely on my own strength but to be filled with your Spirit like Joseph. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 24: FROM PRISONER TO PRIME MINISTER

**Theme:**

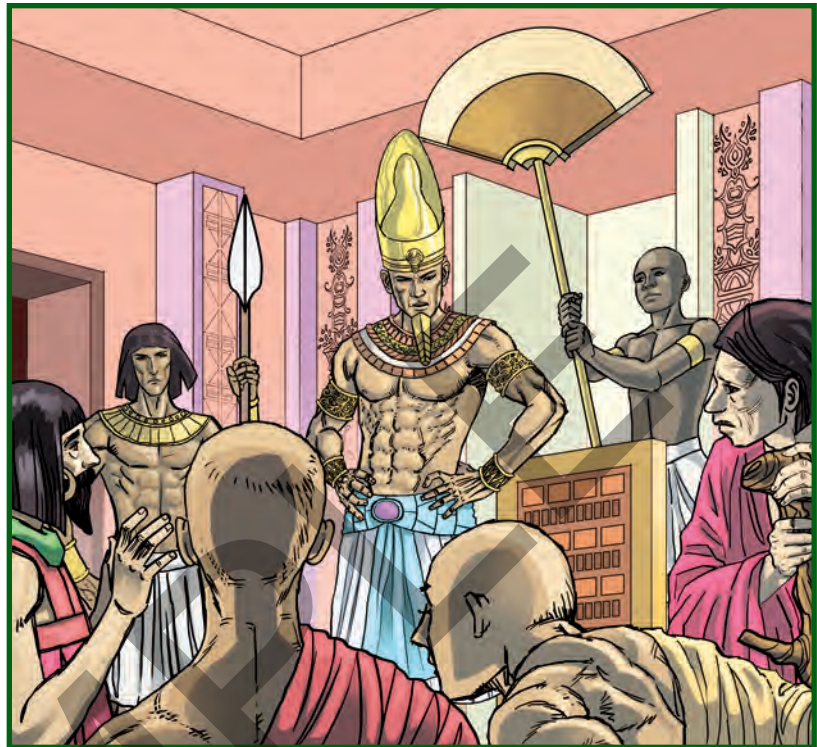
Although we are to trust God, the Bible also recognises hard work as important.

**Lesson Aim:**

1. Be hardworking in life for this brings God glory.
2. Even when we are successful, we must still forgive others.

**Bible Passage:**

Genesis 41:47 - 42:26



### Learn

**Lessons from the story:**

1. Joseph worked hard to prepare Egypt for the famine. Egypt was blessed because of Joseph and this is noticed by Pharaoh.
2. When Joseph meets his brothers, they do not show any outward remorse. Joseph decides not to reveal himself to them but tests them first.

**Memory Verse:**

“All hard work brings a profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty.”  
Proverbs 14:23

### Identify

Read the bible verses below and identify the term that describes each of them. Write the correct term in each box. Then, on the next page, briefly describe your own story for each term.

Genesis 41:41-45

Genesis 42:9

Genesis 41:46-52

Genesis 42:21-22

Genesis 41:53-57

Genesis 42:24-26

Genesis 42:1-2

***Terms:***

- Accusation
- Regret & Helplessness
- Brotherly love
- Recognition
- Seeking help
- Abundance
- Tough times

Based on each term, write briefly about your own experience. One example has been done for you.

**Example:**

Recognition – I worked hard for my exams and I was asked to tutor the weaker students.

Abundance	
Regret & Helplessness	
Brotherly love	
Accusation	
Seeking help	
Tough times	

**What's baking?**

It isn't always easy to forgive right away. Before Joseph met his brothers again, he was baking the "forgiveness" bread in his heart. Look at how he lived his life in Egypt – did he plot revenge against his brothers? Did he stay angry? No. Instead, Joseph worked hard and walked with God. Later, when he met his brothers, he was able to forgive them.

As you go through life, what kind of "bread" are you baking?



**Discuss:**

Do you think it was easy for Joseph to forgive his brothers?  
\_\_\_\_\_

If Joseph's brothers did not regret what they did, do you think Joseph could still forgive them?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Did Joseph's brothers deserve his forgiveness?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Read Isaiah 53:6. Do you think you deserve God's forgiveness for all your wrongdoings? \_\_\_\_\_  
However, God has already forgiven you through Jesus' death first!

**Prayer:**

Dear Lord Jesus, as I live my life, help me to focus on you and not those who hurt me. Help me to forgive them just as you have forgiven me. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 25: JACOB'S DILEMMA

**Theme:**

Be a responsible and reliable person.

**Lesson Aim:**

Learn to persevere and be a reliable person.

**Bible Passage:**

Genesis 42:27 - 44:13



### Learn

**Lessons from the story:**

Reuben makes a rash promise about Benjamin. Jacob does not trust Reuben to take care of Benjamin, because Reuben has disappointed him before. But he trusts Judah.

**Memory Verse:**

“Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him.” James 1:12

### Who said what?

Read the Bible verses and match each verse with the person who said it. Then, rearrange the order by writing 1-10 in the boxes.

	Genesis 42:36	●	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Jacob</li> <li>● Joseph</li> <li>● Joseph's brothers</li> <li>● Israel</li> <li>● Steward</li> <li>● Judah</li> <li>● Reuben</li> </ul>
	Genesis 43:27	●	
	Genesis 44:9	●	
	Genesis 42:37	●	
	Genesis 43:8	●	
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	Genesis 42:28	●	

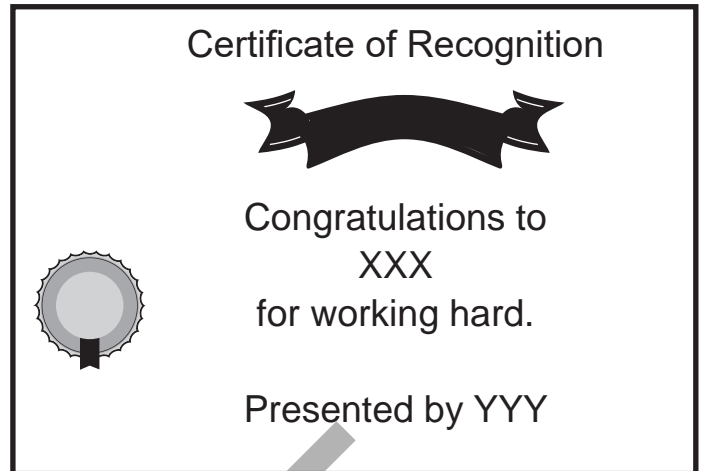
## Recognition Card

Encourage some else today! Design a RECOGNITION CARD for a friend for something good about their character.

Choose one of these statements to put on the card.

- Congratulations to \_\_\_\_\_ for working hard.
- Congratulations to \_\_\_\_\_ for being kind to others.
- Congratulations to \_\_\_\_\_ for being a reliable person.

Example:



## Respond:

Which of the following do you rely on?

- Money
- Time
- Parents/Family
- Internet, phone
- Education
- Bible
- Prayer
- Others: \_\_\_\_\_

Which of these do you need the most? Why?

\_\_\_\_\_

Which of these do you need the least? Why?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a Bible verse that encourages you to rely on God?

**Yes,** it's \_\_\_\_\_

**No.** (Refer to Psalms 118:5-6; Isaiah 41:10)

## Prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus, help me to be a reliable person and to persevere by doing what is right at all times. Thank you that I can rely on you. Amen.

# Genesis Volume 2

## Lesson 26: FAMILY CONFRONTATION AND RECONCILIATION

### Theme:

Peace and unity comes with forgiveness.

### Lesson Aim:

To forgive family members who hurt us.

### Bible Passage:

Genesis 44: 14 - 46: 7



## Learn

### Lessons from the story:

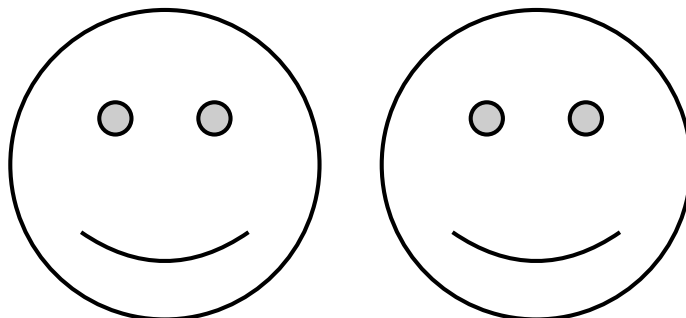
1. The brothers refuse to leave Benjamin even at the expense of their own freedom. Joseph sees this as their repentance for their past action against him, and reveals himself.
2. Joseph knows that God has used this situation to save his family from the famine and to re-unite them in Egypt.

### Memory Verse:

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.”  
1 John 1:9

## The Celebration

Sometimes, those closest to us like our family members can hurt us the most. This happened to Joseph. But he was able to forgive them. What was the happy occasion for Joseph? On the smiles below, write down two things which you think Joseph celebrated.



## The Bible says...

Use the table to crack the code and find out what the Bible tells us to do.

“ \_\_\_\_\_ with each  
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other and

\_\_\_\_\_   
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\_\_\_\_\_   
A3 G3 C6 H3 D8 E3 F7 E2

\_\_\_\_\_ you may have \_\_\_\_\_   
B6 G7 G2 C9 H6 E8 F9 F6 H10 B3 B1 F4 D4 E1 H7 C7 F8

one another. \_\_\_\_\_ as the \_\_\_\_\_ forgave you.”   
G6 F2 C8 H2 C10 C3 E6 G5 D9 A1 H8

COLOSSIANS 3: 13

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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C	4	C	V	C	E	A	S	R	E	I
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E	I	R	V	F	L	E	O	A	S	H
F	S	O	B	G	I	C	E	T	N	G
G	8	I	H	O	L	F	R	E	K	R
H	E	G	T	Q	R	V	N	D	O	E

### **Respond:**

Plan a special time for your family this week by cooking or making something nice for your family members, or suggesting a game you can play, or an activity you can do together.

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, thank you for my family. Help me to treasure and love them. Help us forgive one another so that we can be a family that gives you glory. Amen.

## Genesis Volume 2

# Lesson 27: GENESIS EPILOGUE - FROM TRIBAL CLAN TO NATION


### Genesis revision


To revise the lessons of Genesis, unscramble the names to find out whose stories tell about the following themes:

1. God created us to have a fellowship with Him but disobedience and sin separate us from God. \_\_\_\_\_ (*maAd and vEe*)
2. To reconcile us to Himself, God provides Jesus as the sacrifice for our sins. \_\_\_\_\_ (*maahbrA and sclaa*)
3. God guides, protects and rescues His people \_\_\_\_\_ (*barmahA, toL, haNo, bacoJ, pehoJs*)
4. God moulds and shapes us through difficult times \_\_\_\_\_ (*cabJo and phoseJ*)
5. God uses us as part of His plans. \_\_\_\_\_ (*soJhpe*)

### Personal encounters with God

The Israelites from Abraham to Joseph encountered God in personal ways. In church today, we sing songs written by people about what they felt when they encountered God. Do you have a favourite song about God? Write the lyrics in the box below. See if you can draw pictures to replace some of the words.

**Example:** You are my strength when I am weak / You are the  that

I seek / You are my all in all. Seeking you as a precious , Lord to give up  
I'd be a fool / You are my all in all.

**The link to Jesus-** In Genesis, God gives us an idea about the coming of Jesus who will save people from their sin. Match the statement below with the correct bible verses. You'll have to read all the verses first!

**When Abraham was tested and called to sacrifice his son Isaac, we have a picture of Jesus, God's only Son, who suffers and dies on the cross but rises again on the third day. Isaac was spared, but God did not spare His only Son.**

James 5:3

Isaiah 53:3

Psalms 49:7

Romans 8:32

John 3:16

Acts 4:9

**Think about it:**

God kept His promise to Abraham and made his family into a great nation. God promised Abraham that "all people on earth will be blessed through you". How did God do this?

Look at Matthew 1.

What is the first name of Jesus' ancestors? A \_ \_ \_ h \_ m

Through Abraham's line, God sent Jesus as a Saviour to the world, so that everyone who believes in Him will be blessed.

**Response:**

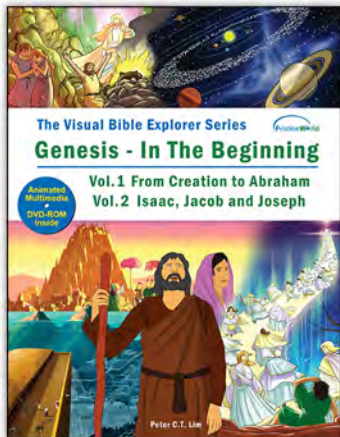
The blessing God promised Abraham can be yours today if you decide to follow Jesus as your Lord and Saviour. Will you?

**Prayer:** Dear Lord Jesus, thank you that saving me from sin was part of your plan from long ago. I want to accept you as my Lord and Saviour. Forgive my sins and help me live for you. Amen.

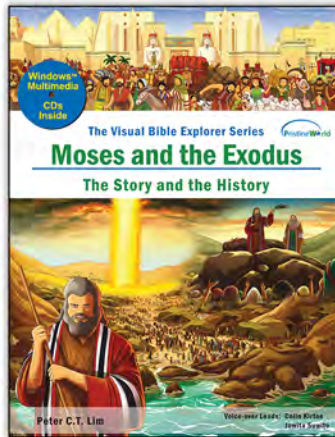
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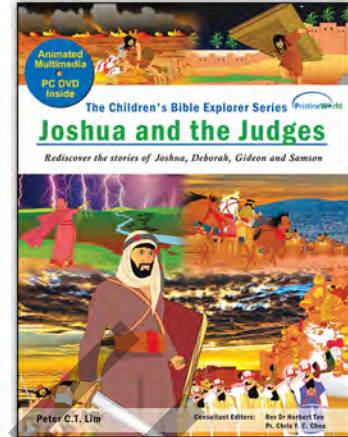
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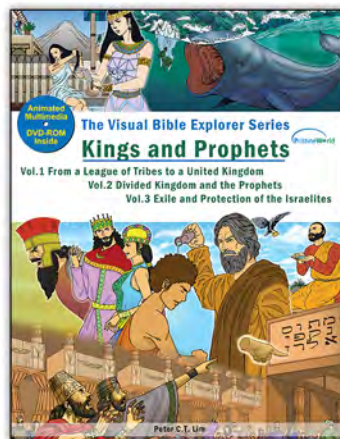
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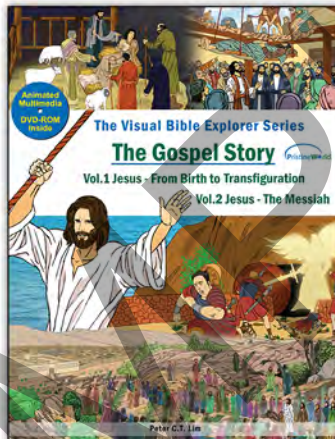
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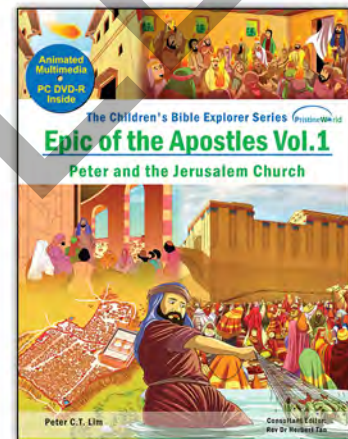
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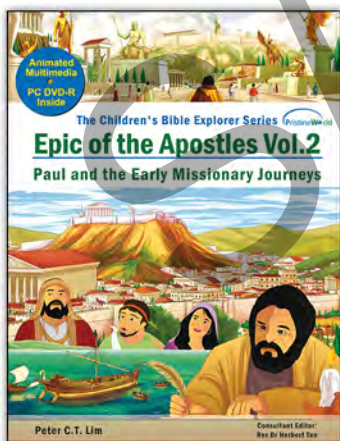
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