

Lesson #2-2***God Gives a Promised Child***

Genesis 18:1-15; 21:1-7

**Key Verse:**

Now Sarah said, "God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me."

Genesis 21:6

The Point:

God gives us joy when God fulfills promises.

Unit Theme (September 26—September 22)

God Creates Family

The Promise of a Son

God fulfills promises in unexpected ways.

You will need:

† Bibles

Instructions:

1. Divide into small groups. Have each group read Genesis 18:1-15 and 21:1-7 in their small groups. Allow them to choose how to read it. Do not allow them to read silently, as that would leave out pre-readers.
2. Assign each group a few verses (depending on the number of groups you have).
3. **We are going to tell this story by creating a freeze frame, like a photo, of the verses that you have been given. When I read the story again, you will get into your freeze frame when I get to your verses. Together our scenes will tell the**
- story. **Two simple rules: you must use every person in your group, and you cannot say anything or move when you are doing your scene.**
4. Note: make adjustments to these instructions if you have individuals of differing abilities.
5. Read the story, allowing the groups to create their freeze frames. Do it again if time allows.
6. Discuss the following:
 - **What do you think Abraham thought of the strange visitors? How did he react? How do you show hospitality to visitors?**
 - **How would you feel if you had to wait until you were 100 years old to have a promise fulfilled? How did Sarah react?**
 - **Reread 18:14a. What do you think? Can you think of anything that is too difficult for God?**