

Lesson #4-2

God Provides for Abraham

Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14



Key Verse:

Abraham said, "God ... will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." Genesis 22:8

The Point:

God can provide even in the midst of an impossible situation.

Unit Theme (September 10 - October 8):

God Provides Blessings

Waiting for the Promise (Part 1)

Sometimes promises take time to be fulfilled.

You will need:

† Nothing

Instructions:

- 1. In our Bible story today, we are going to meet two people who are waiting for a baby that God promised them. But they had to wait a long time!
- 2. **Do you like waiting?** [Most likely the answer will be "No."]
- 3. Abraham and Sarah didn't like waiting either, but they believed that God was going to keep the promise.
- 4. Here is a promise from me to you. After our next activity, I will give each of you a special treat. But you have to wait for it!



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Waking for the Promise (Part 2)

A promise fulfilled brings joy.

You will need:

† Small treats

Preparation:

1. Before serving any food, always check with participants or caregivers for students who have food allergies. Provide an alternative if necessary.

Instructions:

- 1. Ask: **Do you remember what I promised at the beginning of class?** [To give the students a treat.]
- 2. Do you think I'm going to keep my promise? I am!
- 3. Hand out the treat to each student.
- 4. What was it like to wait for me to keep my promise? [Answers will vary.]
- 5. You only had to wait a few minutes for me to keep my promise, but Abraham and Sarah had to wait twenty-five years for their baby. Let's hear their story.