

# Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

## FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Whom do you trust most? Why?
- How can we learn to trust God more?
- Why was Abraham considered righteous? How can we be righteous? (See Gen. 15:6; Rom. 4:5; Gal. 3:11.)

## God's Covenant with Abraham

Genesis 12; 15; 17

**STORY POINT: GOD MADE A COVENANT TO BLESS ALL THE WORLD THROUGH ABRAHAM.**

God chose Abram and told him to move to a place he had never been. God promised Abram three things: a large family, land for his family, and blessing. This was a good promise. But Abram was sad because he didn't have any children to inherit his blessing.

God took Abram outside to remind him of His promise. "Look at the sky and count the stars, if you can," God said. "Your family will be that numerous." Abram believed God, and God was pleased. God said, "I will give this land to your descendants." Abram asked, "How can I be sure?" So God confirmed His covenant with Abram.

God told Abram to bring five animals. Abram obeyed God. Then, when the sun was setting, a deep sleep came over Abram. While Abram slept, God told him what would happen in the future.

When it was dark, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch representing God passed between the animals. This showed that God would be responsible for keeping His promise.

God was so serious about His promise that He changed Abram's name to Abraham, which means "Father of Many." God said, "I will bless Sarah. She will have a son, and you will name him Isaac." God promised to keep His covenant through Isaac and his future family.

*Christ Connection: God promised to bless all the world through Abraham. God sent Jesus from His home in heaven to be born on earth into Abraham's family. Through Jesus, all the nations of the earth are blessed because Jesus saves people from their sins.*



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# What's a Covenant?

Use the key to fill in the words and answer the question, what is a covenant?

A covenant is a \_\_\_\_\_ two \_\_\_\_\_  
 or \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
 One \_\_\_\_\_ promises to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_  
 another \_\_\_\_\_ in a specific \_\_\_\_\_.

-  between
-  bless
-  God
-  people
-  person
-  promise
-  serve
-  way



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|------|----------|---------|---|
| land | covenant | Abraham | 1 |
| told | bless    | God     | 2 |
| made | world    | Abraham | 3 |
| A    | B        | C       |   |

## A Covenant Promise

Find the boxes on the grid to fill in the blanks.

\_\_\_\_\_ a  
 C2 A3  
 \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
 B1 B2  
 all the \_\_\_\_\_ through  
 B3  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 C1