



ABRAHAM



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Abram to Abraham

Today we are talking about Abraham. Abraham wasn't perfect but God greatly used him and God wants to use us too!

Abraham was an imperfect man who God chose to start the Jewish nation (his people)." Explain to the students that Abraham's original name was Abram (God changed it to Abraham later). Start by reading God's promises to Abram in Genesis 12:1-4 & 7. Ask, "How old was Abram when God announced his promises (75)? What were God's promises (to make Abram into a great nation, to make his name great, to bless him, and to give him land)?" Then read Genesis 17:1-8 to learn why God changed Abram's name to Abraham. Emphasize that God gave Abraham a new name (and a new identity) because he would make him into, "a father of many nations."

Power Point

Abraham wasn't perfect, but God used him.

MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 118:14, "The Lord gives me strength and makes me secure. He has saved me." (NirV)

Game: Bible Trivia

Say: We're going to play a trivia game called, 'Who Said It?' to review some important biblical characters. Pass out paper and writing utensils and ask the children to number from one to ten. Then explain that you will read a quote and they will write the name of the person they believe said it in the bible. (You may provide a list of names on the board to help the children.)

1. "Will a son be born to a man a hundred years old? Will Sarah bear a child at the age of ninety?" (Abraham)
2. "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" (Moses)
3. "Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God." (Ruth) 3/5
4. "This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head." (David)
5. "Shall we accept good from God, and not trouble?" (Job)
6. "How long will you waver between two opinions? If the Lord is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him." (Elijah)
7. "My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight."(Daniel)
8. "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (Jesus)
9. "We have left all we had to follow you!"(Peter)
10. "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst." (Paul)

After the game, review the answers and consider giving a prize to the child who answered the most quotes correctly.





Craft: Scattered Splattered Stars

You will need: • Paint (white, yellow or any color) • Toothbrush or paintbrush • Scissors • Construction paper, cardstock or cardboard • Markers or decorating materials • Stickers, glitter, jewels, or other decorations

Procedure:

1. Decorate dark paper or cardstock with verses or captions.
2. Use light-colored paint for the “starry spatter.” Have students dip a toothbrush or paintbrush into the paint and gently flick it to create a paint spray against the paper. Be sure to flick the paint AWAY from the child. This can get messy!
3. Add extra stickers, glitter, and decorations as desired. Allow paint to dry and hang in a place for regular viewing, and to recall God’s promises!



Galaxy Jar

You will need: • Scissors • Construction paper or cardstock • Glue and/or tape • Decorative materials (markers, crayons, stickers) • Clear plastic bottle • Oil • Glitter • Food coloring (optional)



Procedure:

1. Decorate the bottle with stickers and permanent markers.
2. Add verses and captions (marker or taped paper).
3. Place a small amount of oil in the jar. Add food coloring drops if desired (oil and food coloring do not mix).
4. Add water to almost fill the jar (or shampoo or body wash).
5. Add glitter to the jar.
6. Tightly screw the lid and glue it shut.
7. Shake all items together. Enjoy admiring the “galaxy jar” as a reminder of God’s promises!



Abram travels to a new home

Genesis 12:1-9

