

Lesson 1

Genesis 12

## The Call

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Welcome to Adventure Club. I see some of my old friends from last year and I see some new faces. For those of you who don't know me, I'm the Word of God, the Bible, but you can just call me Word. Each week I'm going to help you with your memory verses, like the one for this week, which says: "Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great so that you will be a blessing..."

One of the first Bible characters that you will meet this year is Abram, our as you probably know him, Abraham. Your memory verses for these next few weeks are when God called on Abraham.

Do you like when people call you? Maybe you've got a call from your grandma that lives far away, or maybe your friend called to ask you if you wanted to play. Some calls we get are good sometimes they are bad, but can you imagine getting called by God? That's what happened to our friend Abraham, and you'll learn all about it a little later.

Before we get to that, we have a few other things we need to do. First, we need to sing the memory verses. Singing the verse will help you get those words stuck in your head.

Are you ready to sing? Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** I have a couple of friends I would like to introduce you to. First, everyone give a warm welcome to Cat E. Chism.

*(Cat enters)*

**CAT:** Greetings. I am pleased to make your acquaintance. Word said that he knew some children that wanted to learn more about God, so I'm here to help.

**WORD:** Cat has all the answers to a lot of the questions that people ask about me, the Bible.

**CAT:** That's right Word. I've got twelve questions, and the answers, all lined up for the kids to memorize this year.

**WORD:** Well, why don't you start.

**CAT:** Very well. Can all of you say it with me?

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Purr-fect!

**WORD:** Thanks Cat! Now it's time for our Bible story. And for that, we need one of our good friends. His name is Kebes but you like to call him...KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! It's good to be back here at Adventure Club. I've got a whole new set of stories to tell you this year. I'm going to tell you about Abe, Ike, and Jake. Their family and my family go way back. These stories have been passed down throughout the generations and now to us. Should we get started? OK!

First, meet Abram. Here he comes now.

*(Abe enters)*

**KB:** Abram was a descendant of Noah's son Shem and he lived with his family in a place called Ur.

*(Terah enters)*

**TERAH:** Abram my son!

**ABE:** Yes father?

**TERAH:** I want you to begin packing up the tents. We are moving. Tell your wife Sarai and my grandson Lot that he is coming too.

**ABE:** Very good father. But where are we going?

**TERAH:** We are going to the land of the Canaanites.

*(Abe and Terah both exit)*

**KB:** “Terah took his son Abram, his grandson Lot... and his daughter-in-law Sarai, his son Abram’s wife, and they set out together from Ur of the Chaldeans to go to the land of Canaan. But when they came to Haran, they settled there. Terah lived 205 years and died in Haran.”

*(Abe re-enters. When he gets on stage he falls to his knees)*

**KB:** One day the Lord said to Abram, “Go out from your land, your relatives, and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. I will make you into a great nation, I will bless you, I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, I will curse anyone who treats you with contempt, and all the peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

*(Sarai enters)*

**ABE:** The Lord has commanded me to leave our relatives and to follow him to a new land. We need to get my nephew Lot, all of our possessions and our servants and set out for the land of Canaan.

*(Abe and Sarai pick up their packs and begin walking. Eventually arriving at the oak of Moreh.)*

**SARAI:** We must be getting close to Canaan.

**ABE:** I think we are here. I believe this is the town called Shechem and that giant tree here is the oak of Moreh.

**SARAI:** We made it? Are we here?

**ABE:** Welcome to the land of Canaan!

**KB:** Abram had done what God had told him to do and arrived in the land of Canaan.  
“The Lord appeared to Abram and said, ‘To your offspring, I will give this land.’”

**ABE:** I will build an altar here to the Lord who has appeared to me.

*(Abe builds an altar and offers a sacrifice)*

**ABE:** Come on Sarai. We are not done traveling yet. We need to find a good place to settle.

**SARAI:** It doesn’t look too good, honey. I think they are having a famine.

**ABE:** And it’s severe. There is no way this land can support all of our animals. We will have to go somewhere else until the famine is over. We’ll have to go to Egypt.

**SARAI:** Let’s go, everyone. We are moving on.

**ABE:** “Look, I know what a beautiful woman you are. When the Egyptians see you, they will say, ‘This is his wife.’ They will kill me but let you live. Please say you’re my sister so it will go well for me because of you, and my life will be spared on your account.”

**SARAI:** Um, thank you, I guess. I’ll do it.

*(Pharaoh and Official enter)*

**OFFICIAL:** Whoa, who is that? She is beautiful!

**PHARAOH:** Agreed! Find out who she is and if she is not married bring her into my household.

**OFFICIAL:** You there!

**ABE:** Who me?

**OFFICIAL:** The Pharaoh has taken notice of this woman you are traveling with. Is she your wife?

**ABRAM:** She is my sister.

**OFFICIAL:** Excellent. Pharaoh desires to have this woman enter into his household. And he will treat you well. Here are flocks and herds, male and female donkeys, male and female servants and camels.

**ABE:** Great.

*(Official takes Sarai over to Pharaoh. Sarai sits next to him. Official exits and then quickly re-enters)*

**OFFICIAL:** My Pharaoh!

**PHARAOH:** What is it?

**OFFICIAL:** As soon as you brought this woman into your house our land has been struck with severe plagues. The gods are angry with us.

**PHARAOH:** Ah! This woman must be married. Bring the man she traveled with to me!

*(Official brings Abram to Pharaoh)*

**PHARAOH:** “What have you done to me? Why didn’t you tell me she was your wife? Why did you say, ‘She’s my sister,’ so that I took her as my wife? Now, here is your wife. Take her and go!”

*(Abram and Sarai run out. Pharaoh turns to Official)*

**PHARAOH:** Make sure that man takes his wife and all his possessions and leaves our country. We want nothing to do with him.

**OFFICIAL:** Yes, my Pharaoh.

*(Official and Pharaoh exit)*

**KB:** And that is the story of the call of Abram by God and how Abram lied to Pharaoh.

Each of the stories that I will tell you about this year is about Abram and his family.

Even though we will spend a lot of time talking about the people, do you know who the main character through all of the stories is? It’s God! All of these stories are in the Bible because God wants us to know him. We can learn a lot about him, even from the story tonight.

Tonight we saw that God called on Abram. Why did God choose Abram? Was there something special about him? No. There was nothing special about Abram. God chose him because God chose him. God chooses who he wants, to do what he wants when he wants and no one can stop him, not even a powerful guy like the Pharaoh of Egypt.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. Why don't you come back later and we'll have a little fun before you go home. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

1 Peter 2:9 says, "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of the one who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." Are you chosen by God?

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. They will pick one of you to answer the questions. If you get it wrong, you will get a second chance for half the points. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

## Lesson 2

Genesis 13-14

### The Rescue

#### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

#### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone. Your memory verses for this week are Genesis 12:1-2 which says, “ Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great so that you will be a blessing...”

Last week I talked about how God chose and called Abraham. That was a very special thing. But God didn’t call Abraham and then nothing happened. No, when God calls a person, things change.

What changed in Abraham’s life when God called him? He had to leave his home and his family. That’s quite a change, isn’t it? From that moment on, Abraham’s life would never be the same again.

Did you know, that God is still calling people to himself today? He is. In fact, if you are a Christian, a follower of Jesus, then you have been called by God. And when he calls, things change. Do you have to leave your home and family when God calls you to be a Christian? Not always, but some people do. Some people have to run away, or their family disowns them because they follow Jesus.

Even though it was probably scary for Abraham to start a new life in a strange land God also promised to do something for him. But we’ll look at that next week because right now we have to sing the Bible verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now give a warm welcome to Cat E Chism.

*(Cat enters)*

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to recite the question and answer for this week? Purr-haps you already have it memorized.

**WORD:** It was pretty easy and these are smart kids.

**CAT:** We'll see. Are you ready to say it with me?

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Purr-fection!

**WORD:** Thanks Cat! Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Last week, we left our buddy Abram in Egypt. But after the famine was over, "Abram went up from Egypt to the Negev—he, his wife, and all he had, and Lot with him.

*(Abe, Sarai and Lot enter)*

**KB:** Abram was very rich in livestock, silver, and gold. He went by stages from the Negev to Bethel, to the place between Bethel and Ai where his tent had formerly been, to the site where he had built the altar. And Abram called on the name of the Lord there.

**ABE:** Lot, my nephew, I have a lot of animals and you have a lot of animals. This land is not able to support all of us staying together, plus our herdsmen are quarreling. "Please, let's not have quarreling between you and me, or between your herdsmen and my herdsmen, since we are relatives. Isn't the whole land before you? Separate from me: if you go to the left, I will go to the right; if you go to the right, I will go to the left."

**LOT:** I'll choose the entire plain of the Jordan. I'll journey eastward and separate myself from you.

**ABE:** Very well. I'll live here in the land of Canaan.

*(Lot exits)*

**KB:** After Lot had separated from him, the Lord said to Abram, "Look from the place where you are. Look north and south, east and west, for I will give you and your offspring forever all the land that you see. I will make your offspring like the dust of the earth, so that if anyone could count the dust of the earth, then your offspring could be counted. Get up and walk around the land, through its length and width, for I will give it to you."

**ABE:** Thank you, Lord. Come on Sarai. Let's go live near the oaks of Mamre at Hebron. It's a great spot. And I will build an altar to the Lord.

*(Sarai exits. King enters with his sword and runs around)*

**KB:** In those days, a king named Chedorlaomer joined forces with three other kings to attack an army of five kings that had rebelled against him.

**KING:** I'll teach those rebels a lesson they won't forget. Attack!

*(King exits and then return with Lot as a captive.)*

**KB:** King Chedorlaomer and his alliance of kings defeated all the other kings and even captured Abram's nephew Lot who was living in Sodom, which is one of the cities that was conquered.

*(Survivor enters and runs to Abe)*

**SURVIVOR:** Are you Abram the Hebrew?

**ABE:** Yes, that's me.

**SURVIVOR:** The land has been overrun by King Chedorlaomer. I am sorry to have to tell you that they have captured your nephew.

**ABE:** Thank you for bringing me the news. Servant!

*(Servant enters)*

**SERVANT:** Yes, sir.

**ABE:** Gather together the trained men and the weapons. We will pursue this army and bring back my relative. After them!

*(Servant and Abe get weapons and begin to chase King and Lot.)*

**SERVANT:** They are just over that ridge, sir.

**ABE:** Very well. We will deploy tonight.

*(Servant and Abe prepare to attack)*

**ABE:** Now! Attack!

*(Abe and servant save Lot and King exits. Abe, Lot and Servant carry bags back with them)*

**KB:** As Abram returned from defeating Chedorlaomer, Melchizedek, King of Salem brought out bread and wine, to them. Melchizedek was a priest of God Most High.

*(Mel enters with bread and wine. Mel places his hand on Abe)*

**MEL:** Abram is blessed by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High who has handed over your enemies to you.

**ABE:** Here, I give you a tenth of all the spoils from the battle.

**MEL:** Thank you.

*(Mel exits, Sod enters)*

**KB:** The king of Sodom also came out to meet with Abram as he returned.

**SOD:** "Give me the people, but take the possessions for yourself."

**ABE:** "I have raised my hand in an oath to the Lord, God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth, that I will not take a thread or sandal strap or anything that belongs to you, so you can never say, 'I made Abram rich.' I will take nothing except what the servants

have eaten. But as for the share of the men who came with me—Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre—they can take their share.”

**SOD:** Have it your way.

*(Abram and Sod exit)*

**KB:** And that is the story of how Abram rescued his nephew Lot from the enemy king.

Did you catch that Abram gave a tenth of all that he brought back to king Melchizedek even though he didn't fight alongside Abram? Why do you think he did that? It was because Melchizedek was a priest of God and so Abram gave away a tenth to God. And why did he give a tenth to God? Because God had handed over Abram's enemies to him. It was not Abram and his men's skill that won the day, but God. God was the one that rescued Lot through Abram.

The Bible is filled with stories of rescues, like the one we talked about tonight. All of these stories point forward to the greatest rescue: when Jesus rescued his people from death, sin and God's wrath. That's the greatest rescue story of them all.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

The Bible tells us that Jesus has rescued his people from the body of death (Romans 7:24), this present evil age (Galatians 1:4), the domain of darkness (Colossians 1:13), the coming wrath of God (1 Thess. 1:10) and will rescue them from their trials (2 Peter 2:9). Have you been rescued?

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

## Lesson 3

Genesis 15-16

### The Covenant

#### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

#### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are Genesis 12:1-2 which says, “Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great so that you will be a blessing...”

God called Abraham to leave his homeland and his relatives to go to a foreign land. God called Abraham to give up those things. But God also promised to give Abraham something. God said that he would bless Abraham. Abraham would become a great nation and that he would become a blessing. As you learned this was the promise or covenant that God made with Abraham.

But how did this promise come true? How did Abraham become a great nation and a blessing? The book of Hebrews says that Abraham didn’t see the promise come true in his lifetime. His son and grandson didn’t see the promise come true either. It wasn’t until a long time later, when Jesus, one of Abraham’s descendants, died and rose again, that the promise would come true. The book of Romans tells us that Abraham is the father of all those that place their faith in Jesus. So Abraham’s great nation is filled with all those that place their faith in Jesus. What a blessing Abraham became to the world. Are you a son or daughter of Abraham?

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let’s welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. I have a new question for you this week.

**WORD:** Already? Do you think the kids remember the last one?

**CAT:** Of course they do. I'll show you. Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will.

*(Kids answer question. If not encourage them all to say it together)*

**WORD:** I guess they did learn it. So what is the next question?

## **SLIDE**

**CAT:** Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone.

**WORD:** That's right! Only in my pages can you find out how to love and obey God.

**CAT:** These kids are purr-fectly able to memorize all my questions.

**WORD:** Absolutely they are! Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

## **PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight we are going to talk about the covenant between Abram and God.

*(Abe enters)*

**KB:** One day the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision. God said, "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield; your reward will be very great."

**ABE:** "Lord God, what can you give me, since I am childless and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus? Look, you have given me no offspring, so a slave born in my house will be my heir."

**KB:** Now the word of the Lord came to him: “This one will not be your heir; instead, one who comes from your own body will be your heir.”

*(Abe walks to the side and looks up)*

**KB:** “Look at the sky and count the stars, if you are able to count them. Your offspring will be that numerous.”

**ABE:** Wow, that’s amazing! I believe you, Lord.

**KB:** God said, “I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to possess.”

**ABE:** “Lord God, how can I know that I will possess it?”

**KB:** God replied, “Bring me a three-year-old cow, a three-year-old female goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”

*(Abe walks behind the scenery and narrates that he is cutting the animals and laying them out just as God said. Abe walks back out in front. Birds fly in)*

**ABE:** Hey, get out of here. Shoo! Shoo! Wow, I’m getting tired. I think I will just lay down.

*(The lights begin to dim. Abe begins to toss and turn)*

**KB:** Then the Lord said to Abram, “Know this for certain: Your offspring will be resident aliens for four hundred years in a land that does not belong to them and will be enslaved and oppressed. However, I will judge the nation they serve, and afterward, they will go out with many possessions. But you will go to your fathers in peace and be buried at a good old age. In the fourth generation, they will return here, for the iniquity of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure.”

*(The lights go out and a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch appear and pass by)*

**KB:** God told Abram, “I give this land to your offspring.”

*(The lights come back up. Sarai and Hagar enter).*

**KB:** God had made the promise about Abram’s children, but up until this point, he had no children.

**SARAI:** Since the Lord has prevented me from bearing children, go to my slave; perhaps through her, I can build a family. Take her as a second wife.

**ABRAM:** Um...ok.

*(Hagar exits and returns pregnant)*

**SARAI:** What? She’s pregnant and I’m not? Arrr! Abram, you are responsible for my suffering! I put my slave in your arms, and when she saw that she was pregnant, I became contemptible to her. May the Lord judge between me and you.”

**ABRAM:** “Here, your slave is in your hands; do whatever you want with her.”

**SARAI:** I hate you. I hate you. I hate you!

*(Hagar cries and runs to the side. Angel appears)*

**ANGEL:** “Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from and where are you going?”

**HAGAR:** “I’m running away from my mistress Sarai.”

**ANGEL:** “Go back to your mistress and submit to her authority. I will greatly multiply your offspring, and they will be too many to count. You have conceived and will have a son. You will name him Ishmael, for the Lord, has heard your cry of affliction. This man will be like a wild donkey. His hand will be against everyone, and everyone’s hand will be against him; he will settle near all his relatives.”

**HAGAR:** “You are El-Roi. In this place, have I actually seen the one who sees me?”

**KB:** So Hagar gave birth to Abram’s son, and Abram named his son (whom Hagar bore) Ishmael. Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to him.

And that is the story of how God made a covenant with Abram and how Ishmael was born.

Let’s talk about a covenant for a minute. A covenant is an agreement between two people. Back in the days of Abram, if you wanted to show that this agreement was

serious you took some animals cut them in half and laid them on the ground. The two people would walk between the animals and get the blood all over their feet. It was a covenant in blood, which meant if someone broke the promise the other person had the right to kill him. A covenant made this way was very serious.

In the covenant made between God and Abram, who walked down the middle? It was God. Did Abram walk between the animals? No. So this was a one-sided covenant. God said he would give the land to Abram's kids and there was nothing that Abram, or anyone else, for that matter, could do to stop it. The part of the story with Hagar was Abram's and Sarai's attempt at forcing the promise of God to come true. That wasn't a good idea!

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

On the night Jesus died, he took a cup of wine, gave thanks to God and then he said, "Drink from it, all of you. For this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

God made a covenant with his people that he would save them and give eternal life. Like the promise to Abram, this was a one-sided covenant. Jesus is the one who died and rose again and because of the blood covenant what God promised is a forever promise. All those that believe in Jesus are forgiven and have eternal life. Do you believe in Jesus?

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

## Lesson 4

Gen. 18:1-15; 21:1-21

### The Son

#### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

#### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

The first part of this passage says that you are to trust in the Lord with all of your heart. That means that you are to put your trust in God completely and hold nothing back. This is a call to not doubt God but to believe that everything he says is true. It is also a call to not trust in anything or anyone else but God alone.

The next phrase in this passage says, “do not lean on your own understanding.” Imagine that you hurt your foot and you need something to lean on to hold you up. You would want something that would hold you up and not fall out from under you. This picture of leaning on your own understanding is where you are trusting in your own thinking. Your own knowledge and understanding are what you are trusting in. Since you are just a person, what you know and understand is really small. It is easy to get tricked, or forget something, or to just not understand how things work. If you lean on your own understanding you will fall down.

If you don't want to fall on your understanding, you need an understanding that won't let you down, a perfect understanding. And who has a perfect understanding? God does. He knows all and has always known all. His understanding is perfect and complete. His understanding is what you want to lean on. And where do learn God's understanding? From me, the Bible! So don't trust in your understanding but trust in God's with all your heart.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. And now our question from last week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone.

**WORD:** Great job kids. Cat, you and the leaders are doing a great job getting these kids to learn the questions.

**CAT:** And we are just getting started. We can handle it.

**WORD:** I know you can. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about The Son.

*(Abe enters)*

**KB:** One day the Lord appeared to Abraham at his tent near the oaks of Mamre.

**ABE:** Wow, it's hot out today. I think I'll sit here near the entrance of my tent and cool off.

*(Man 1, Man 2, Man 3 enter)*

**ABE:** Oh, wow. Where did they come from?

*(Abe runs and bows before Man 1)*

**ABE:** My lord, if I have found favor with you, please do not go on past your servant. Let a little water be brought, that you may wash your feet and rest yourselves under the tree. I will bring a bit of bread so that you may strengthen yourselves. This is why you have passed your servant's way. Later, you can continue on."

**MAN 2:** Yes, do as you have said.

*(Abe runs back to the tent. Sarah enters from the tent)*

**ABE:** "Quick! Knead three measures of fine flour and make bread."

**SARAH:** Ok, ok. What's the big hurry? Who are those guys? Abraham? Abraham!

*(Sarah begins to bake bread. Abe runs and gets a calf. YMan enters)*

**ABE:** Young man. Come here, quickly!

**YMAN:** Yes, my lord?

**ABE:** Take this calf and prepare it as quick as you can. We have some very special guests.

**YMAN:** I'll get it done as fast as I can.

*(YMan exits and then returns with a piece of meat)*

**YMAN:** Done!

**ABE:** Wow, that was fast. Now let me get some curds and milk. Sarah, are the loaves done?

**SARAH:** Just pulling them out now. Be careful, they are hot.

**ABE:** It smells great! Thanks.

*(Abe runs over to Man 1, Man 2, and Man 3 and serves them)*

**MAN 1:** Where is your wife Sarah?

**ABE:** There, in the tent.

**MAN 1:** “I will certainly come back to you in about a year’s time, and your wife Sarah will have a son!”

**KB:** Now, Abraham and Sarah were old and getting on in years. Sarah had passed the age of childbearing.

*(Sarah laughs)*

**SARAH:** “After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I have delight?”

**MAN 1:** “Why did Sarah laugh, saying, ‘Can I really have a baby when I’m old?’ Is anything impossible for the Lord? At the appointed time I will come back to you, and in about a year she will have a son.”

*(Sarah exits the tent)*

**SARAH:** “I did not laugh,”

**MAN 1:** “No, you did laugh.”

**KB:** The Lord and the angels who were with him, talked to Abraham for a little while longer and then left him.

*(Man 1, Man 2, Man 3 exit. Sarah runs over to Abe)*

**SARAH:** Abraham! I’m pregnant! I’m pregnant!

*(Abe and Sarah dance around and laugh. And Sarah exits into the tent)*

**ABE:** The Lord has truly come to Sarah and did what he promised.

**KB:** At the time when God had told Abraham Sarah gave birth to a son. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son was born.

*(Sarah enters with baby)*

**SARAH:** It’s a boy!

**ABE:** He shall be called Isaac, for he has brought us laughter.

**SARAH:** “God has made me laugh, and everyone who hears will laugh with me. Who would have told Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne a son for him in his old age.”

*(Sarah goes into the tent. Ishmael enters and walks over to the front of the tent)*

**KB:** The child grew and was weaned, and Abraham held a great feast on the day Isaac was weaned.

**ISHMAEL:** Hey Ikey. What a stupid name. No wonder they call you laughter, look at your face! Ha!

*(Sarah storms out of the tent and stomps over to Abe)*

**SARAH:** “Drive out this slave with her son, for the son of this slave will not be a co-heir with my son Isaac!”

**ABRAHAM:** But Sarah...

*(Sarah gives him a dirty look and exits)*

**KB:** This was very distressing to Abraham because of his son, Ishmael. But God said to Abraham, “Do not be distressed about the boy and about your slave. Whatever Sarah says to you, listen to her, because your offspring will be traced through Isaac, and I will also make a nation of the slave’s son because he is your offspring.”

*(Abe takes bread and a waterskin, goes into the tent and brings out Hagar)*

**ABE:** Here, take these. You must leave. You can no longer live here.

**HAGAR:** But Abraham...

**ABE:** No, you must go.

*(Abe enters the tent. Hagar and Ishmael wander around. They eat the bread and drink the water until its gone.)*

**HAGAR:** The food and water are gone. Here, my boy, rest under this bush.

*(Hagar walks to the other side of the stage. Ishmael begins to cry)*

**HAGAR:** “I can’t bear to watch the boy die!”

*(Hagar weeps)*

**KB:** God heard the boy crying, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, “What’s wrong, Hagar? Don’t be afraid, for God has heard the boy crying from the place where he is. Get up, help the boy up, and grasp his hand, for I will make him a great nation.”

*(Hagar gets up, helps up Ishmael)*

**HAGAR:** Look, Ishmael. There is a well. The Lord has saved us.

*(Hagar and Ishmael walk off)*

**KB:** And that is the story of how Abraham and Sarah received their promised son and how God also provided for Ishmael.

The Angel of the Lord and two other angels came and appeared to Abraham. God promised to give Abraham a son through Sarah, even though Sarah was old and was passed the age when she could have any children. Sarah laughed at the idea at first because, to her, it seemed impossible. God asked her why she laughed, and she lied about it. But God’s promise came true. At the time God had promised, Sarah became pregnant and then gave birth to Isaac, whose name means laughter.

When Isaac was a couple of years old, they had a party for him where his older half-brother Ishmael made fun of him. This made Sarah mad, and she told Abraham to throw out Ishmael and his mom Hagar. This made Abraham sad but God said that it would be ok because he would take care of Ishmael because he was Abraham’s son. And that is what God did.

Well, guys, that’s all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

“He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body to be already dead (since he was about a hundred years old) and also the deadness of Sarah’s womb. He did not

waver in unbelief at God's promise but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, because he was fully convinced that what God had promised, he was also able to do. Therefore, it was credited to him for righteousness. Now it was credited to him was not written for Abraham alone, but also for us. It will be credited to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. Romans 4:19-23

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

## Lesson 5

Gen. 20; 21:22-34

### The Lie

#### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

#### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Last time we talked about how you needed to trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. Tonight, let’s talk about the phrase, “in all your ways acknowledge him.”

God is all-powerful and is in control of everything, whether you realize it or not. To acknowledge God in all your ways doesn’t mean that you just say, “yes, God you are in control of everything.” That’s definitely part of it, but it goes beyond that. It means that you must make every decision by taking into account who God is and what he has commanded. Every decision, from the boring to the major decisions all must be done with what God wants in mind.

If you do acknowledge God in all your ways then it will affect the way you live your life. You will desire what God desires. You won’t complain when things don’t go the way you want. You will choose to do things that are right and good but maybe not what you want. You will live your life by faith and not by sight. But acknowledging God in all your ways is the right way to live.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let’s welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. And now for our new question for this week.

## **SLIDE**

**CAT:** Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit.

**WORD:** That's right. God wrote the words you find in my pages by using some special guys that he chose for that job. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

## **PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about The Lie. Last time I told you about the promise God made to Abraham that he would have Isaac. And at the end of the story, we saw the promise come true with the birth of Isaac. Now in between the promise and the birth, there is a story I want to tell you about.

*(Abe and Sarah enter)*

**KB:** It starts with Abraham traveling from the oaks of Mamre to a place called the Negev. There he pitched his tents between Kadesh and Shur at a place called Gerar

*(Man enters)*

**MAN:** You're Abraham, right?

**ABE:** Yes, that's me.

**MAN:** Who is that beautiful woman you are traveling with. She's amazing.

**ABE:** Uh, that's my wi...I'm mean. She's my sister.

**MAN:** Oh, really. Well, if she was your wife I might kill you and take her for my own. Huh? *(elbows Abraham)* Right?

**ABE:** Uh, yeah. Right. That's why I said she was my sister. I mean, she is my sister.

**MAN:** Right, I got that. Well, I'll see you later.

*(Man exits; King enters)*

**KB:** Now there was a king in Gerar named Abimelech. He had seen the beauty of Sarah, and since Abraham was telling everyone Sarah was his sister, he had Sarah brought to him to be one of his wives.

**KING:** Come here. So you are the man called Abraham?

**ABE:** Yes sir. I am Abraham.

**KING:** And who is this lovely woman with you?

**ABE:** This is my...sister Sarah.

**KING:** This is your brother?

**SARAH:** Yes.

**KING:** Great! I want you to be one of my wives. Abraham, I will pay the bride price and you will be treated well.

**ABE:** Thank you.

*(Sarah and Abe exit)*

**KING:** What a great day. It's good to be king. Time to get some shut-eye.

*(King lays down)*

**KB:** God came to Abimelech in a dream by night and said to him, "You are about to die because of the woman you have taken, for she is a married woman."

**KING:** "Lord, would you destroy a nation even though it is innocent? Didn't he himself say to me, 'She is my sister'? And she herself said, 'He is my brother.' I did this with a clear conscience and clean hands."

**KB:** Then God said to him in the dream, “Yes, I know that you did this with a clear conscience. I have also kept you from sinning against me. Therefore I have not let you touch her. Now return the man’s wife, for he is a prophet, and he will pray for you and you will live. But if you do not return her, know that you will certainly die, you and all who are yours.”

*(King wakes up)*

**KING:** Servant. Servant!

*(Servant enters)*

**SERVANT:** Yes master?

**KING:** I had a dream last night. God told me that the woman Sarah is not only Abraham’s sister but is his wife. God said he would kill me and all of mine if I did not return her to Abraham.

**SERVANT:** Oh man. What do we do? What do we do?

**KING:** Go get Abraham right away!

*(Servant runs out and then returns with Abe and Sarah. Servant exits.)*

**ABE:** Yes my Lord?

**KING:** “What have you done to us? How did I sin against you that you have brought such enormous guilt on me and on my kingdom? You have done things to me that should never be done. What made you do this?”

**ABE:** “I thought, ‘There is absolutely no fear of God in this place. They will kill me because of my wife.’ Besides, she really is my sister, the daughter of my father though not the daughter of my mother, and she became my wife. So when God had me wander from my father’s house, I said to her: Show your loyalty to me wherever we go and say about me: ‘He’s my brother.’”

**KING:** Here Abraham. Take back your wife. And have these flocks, herds, and male and female servants. “Look, my land is before you. Settle wherever you want. Look, I

am giving your brother one thousand pieces of silver. It is a verification of your honor to all who are with you. You are fully vindicated.”

*(Abe kneels in prayer. Sarah exits)*

**ABE:** Lord, I thank you for sparing my life and returning my wife back to me. Thank you for causing Abimelech to show favor toward me. Now, please heal his family.

*(Phicol enters)*

**KB:** Abraham settled in the land and after the birth of Isaac Abimelech, accompanied by Phicol, the commander of his army came to talk with Abraham.

**KING:** “God is with you in everything you do. Swear to me by God here and now, that you will not break an agreement with me or with my children and descendants. As I have been loyal to you, so you will be loyal to me and to the country where you are a resident alien.”

**ABE:** “I swear it.” But some of your servants have seized a well that my men use to water our flocks.

**KING:** “I don’t know who did this thing. You didn’t report anything to me, so I hadn’t heard about it until today.” Did you know about this?

**PHICOL:** I hadn’t heard anything either.

**ABE:** Well, let’s make a covenant. Here are some herds and flocks for you. But I’ll take these seven ewe lambs over here.

**KING:** “Why have you separated these seven ewe lambs?”

**ABE:** “You are to accept the seven ewe lambs from me so that this act will serve as my witness that I dug this well.”

**KING:** Agreed. It is your well.

*(Abe and King exit)*

**KB:** And Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beer-sheba, and there he called on the name of the Lord, the Everlasting God. And Abraham lived as an alien in the land of the Philistines for many days.

In our story, Abraham told the people of the land that Sarah was his sister. Now that was true that she was his half-sister, but he failed to tell people that she was also his wife. That is called of a lie of omission, he didn't tell the whole truth. When the king took Sarah as his wife he didn't think he was doing anything wrong. Abraham's lie almost cost the king his life, but God was merciful and spared the king.

At the end of the story, the king came to Abraham to make peace between him and Abraham. Abraham agreed and he even got the well back that he had lost to the king's servants.

Because of God's promises and his mercy, everything worked out for Abraham in the end.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

I will show mercy to whom I will show mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. Romans 9:15

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 6

Review Night

## Theo and Elly Show: WWTBAM

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verse for this week is, “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.” (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Over the last two weeks, we talked about what it means to trust in the Lord with all your heart and to not lean on your own understanding. We also talked about what it means to acknowledge God in all your ways. So today, let’s talk about what it means that he will make straight your paths.

Imagine there are two paths in the forest. The one path doesn’t have any twists or turns but takes you right through to the other side. The other path has a lot of twists and turns. The path is rough and uneven. In some places, it takes you right to the edge of a cliff that, if you were to fall, you would die. In another place, the path leads you through a swamp where it is easy to get stuck in the mud. In the end, this path comes to a place where you can’t even tell if you are on the path anymore. If you are trying to get to the other side of the forest alive and with as little trouble as possible, which would you choose? The straight path makes the most sense.

In your life, there are two paths. The one path of rebellion against God is full of cliffs, rough spots, swamps and dead ends. The other path of trust and acknowledging God is a straight path to heaven. It may have a few bumps in the path, but you will never lose your way.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. And now for our question you learned from last week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit.

**WORD:** Good job kids. Tonight is Review Night so you know what that means!

**CAT:** The Theo and Elly Show!

**SLIDE**

*(Word and Cat exit. Theo and Elly enter)*

**ELLY:** Welcome to the Theo and Elly show!

**THEO:** That's right. Each review night this year, we will bring you a new game to help review what you've learned so far.

**ELLY:** Tonight's game is a special Theo and Elly version of...Who Wants to be a Millionaire!

**THEO:** Wow. Do we have a million dollars to give away? I know that Dad works hard, but...

**ELLY:** No, no. It's just the style of game we are playing. We don't have a million dollars to give away.

**THEO:** Hmm...that's sounds like false advertising. Let's give them a million PB and J sandwiches!

**ELLY:** Still too expensive.

**THEO:** How about a million pennies?

**ELLY:** Do you have a million pennies?

**THEO:** Rats! No, I don't. How about the winners get a million hi-fives.

**ELLY:** That would be free for us, but who has the time?

**THEO:** Fine. Let's just play the game. Who Wants to Be Like a Millionaire but without the million dollars?

**ELLY:** Let's bring out our two leaders that will be helping you.

**THEO:** And let the games begin!

*(Use the powerpoint game. Have questions and answers written out for puppeteers as they Ad Lib throughout the game.)*

Lesson 7

Genesis 22

## The Sacrifice

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. And without faith, it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.” (Hebrews 11:1, 6).

These verses talk about faith. But what is faith? True faith is not a blind confidence in a good future. It's not a, “I hope it happens”, feeling. It's not believing in spite of evidence. It is “confident obedience to God's Word in spite of circumstances and consequences” (Warren Wiersbe). So faith is all about trusting God. Real faith is about believing in God and what he can do.

Now real faith is your assurance of things hoped for. What does that mean? The idea is that faith is like a foundation of a house. Every house has some kind of foundation that it sits on. The foundation is what keeps the building stable and ties all of its pieces together. Without a good foundation, the house will fall. If you have faith in God, then you have that firm foundation for the things you hope for.

The next question is: What do you hope for? If you were to read the rest of the verse in chapter 11 of the book of Hebrews you would see that what is hoped for is the perfect and eternal life with God in his complete presence. In other words, heaven.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. And now for our new question for this week.

## **SLIDE**

**CAT:** Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve.

**WORD:** That's right. Obviously, they weren't Cat's first parents but they were your first parents. They were the first humans. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

## **PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about The Sacrifice.

*(Abe and Ike enter. Ike enters the tent.)*

Now some time had passed since our last story and Isaac began to get older. One day, God had decided to test Abraham and so he said to him, "Abraham!"

**ABE:** "Here I am,"

**KB:** God said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains I will tell you about."

*(Abe walks over to Ike)*

**ABE:** Isaac, my son. The Lord has asked me to travel to the land of Moriah, and to give a burnt offering to him on one of the mountains there. You are to go with me.

**IKE:** Really? Great!

**ABE:** We will leave tomorrow morning. So get some rest, we have quite a trip ahead of us.

*(Abe and Ike go to sleep. After a little, Abe wakes up.)*

**ABE:** Morning already? Hmm, I'll let him sleep a little while longer. I have work to do. First, I need to split some wood for the burnt offering.

*(Abe splits some wood)*

**ABE:** Now I just need to saddle my donkey and we'll be all set to go.

*(Abe saddles his donkey and then walks over to awaken Ike)*

**ABE:** Let's go, son. It is time to for us to leave.

**IKE:** Do you know where we need to go yet?

**ABE:** Yes, the Lord has told me about the place we must travel to.

**IKE:** Let me get my stuff and I'll be ready to leave.

*(Man 1 and Man 2 enter)*

**ABE:** There you are. I need you two to come with Isaac and me on our trip. Get the provisions and get ready to go.

**MAN1:** Yes my lord.

**MAN2:** Yes my lord.

*(Abe picks up the stack of wood and places it on the donkey and grabs his knife.)*

*(Abe, Ike, and Man1 and Man2 begin walking on their journey)*

**KB:** Abraham, Isaac and the two young men traveled to mount Moriah a full three days journey.

**ABE:** I see the place in the distance. Young men, stay here with the donkey. The boy and I will go over there to worship; then we'll come back to you." Here my boy. You carry the wood.

*(Abe picks up the wood and puts it on Ike. Then he makes sure he has his knife and picks up a torch)*

**IKE:** My father.

**ABE:** "Here I am, my son."

**IKE:** "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?"

**ABE:** "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." Let's keep going. It's just up ahead. Here we are. This is the spot for the altar.

*(Abe builds the altar.)*

**ABE:** I'll take the wood now.

*(Abe takes the wood and places it on the altar)*

**ABE:** Come here. Don't move.

*(Abe ties up Isaac and puts him on the altar)*

**IKE:** Father?

**ABE:** Have faith in God, my son.

*(Abe takes the knife in his hand and moves to kill Ike)*

**KB:** At just the right time the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!"

**ABE:** "Here I am."

**KB:** Then he said, "Do not lay a hand on the boy or do anything to him. For now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your only son from me."

**ABE:** Look the Lord has provided the sacrifice. A ram caught in that bush over there.

*(KB looks around and then ducks below the scenery)*

**ABE:** Come here, my boy.

*(Abe unties Ike and they hug. Abe gets the ram and sacrifices it on the altar)*

**ABE:** I shall name this place "The Lord Will Provide".

*(KB re-enters)*

**KB:** Then the angel of the Lord called to Abraham a second time from heaven and said, "By myself I have sworn," this is the Lord's declaration: "Because you have done this thing and have not withheld your only son, I will indeed bless you and make your offspring as numerous as the stars of the sky and the sand on the seashore. Your offspring will possess the city gates of their enemies. And all the nations of the earth will be blessed by your offspring because you have obeyed my command."

*(Abe and Ike walk back to Man1 and Man2 and then the exit)*

**KB:** And that is the story of when Abraham almost sacrificed Isaac.

In our story, we saw that God had called Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac as a burnt offering. But do you remember that God had promised to Abraham that his family would grow to be a massive family through his son Isaac? How would Isaac continue on the family line if he was dead?

But hopefully, you noticed that Abraham did not complain or doubt what God was doing. The next morning after God told him what to do he set out for the spot God told him about.

When Abraham and Isaac got to the place where God had told them to go, Abraham tied up Isaac and put him on the altar. But just at the right time, the angel of the Lord spoke and stopped Abraham from killing Isaac. God had a ram get caught in a bush at just the right time too. Poor cousin Joe. But the ram was sacrificed instead of Isaac. Then the angel of the Lord pronounced a blessing over Abraham saying his family would be as many as the stars and the sand on the beach, and that all the nations of

the world would be blessed by an offspring of Abraham. Can you guess who that would be? It's Jesus!

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Hebrew 11:17-19 "By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac. He received the promises and yet he was offering his one and only son, the one to whom it had been said, Your offspring will be called through Isaac. He considered God to be able even to raise someone from the dead; therefore, he received him back, figuratively speaking."

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 8

Genesis 23

## The Goodbye

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.” (Hebrews 11:1, 6).

These verses say that without faith it is impossible to please God. In order to be near God, you must have faith in him. Faith is a necessity. Only those that have the assurance of things hoped for and the conviction of things not seen can go to heaven. Since this is true, the next question that must be asked is: how do you get this faith?

Ephesians 2:8 says that people are saved by grace through faith and that is the gift of God. Faith is not something you can buy, or get from studying really hard or create in you by being really good. Faith is a gift of God, that he gives to whom he wants to.

Romans 12:3 says that God assigns a measure of faith to his people.

So since faith is a gift and assigned by God that means it is not something that is yours naturally. How then does faith come to you? That’s an easy answer. “Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.” That means that faith comes to you through hearing the Bible: that’s me! Whether you hear it being preached or you read it yourself, faith comes through the hearing of the Bible.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let’s welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. And now for the question for this week.

## **SLIDE**

**CAT:** Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve.

**WORD:** That's right. Adam was the first Dad of all humans. Did you know that Adam named Cat's first parents? He did! Adam named all the animals. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

## **PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about The Goodbye.

*(Abe and Ike enter. Abe goes into the tent and then exits the tent crying)*

**ABE:** Your mother is gone.

*(Abe and Ike console each other)*

**IKE:** Mom lived a long life.

**ABE:** You're right, son. One hundred and twenty-seven years she walked this earth. I will miss her horribly.

**IKE:** Me too Dad, me too. Where will we bury her since we don't own any land in this area?

**ABE:** I will go to the people of this land and see if I might buy some property from them.

**IKE:** How about the cave at Machpelah. There is some beautiful land there.

**ABE:** I had thought about that cave as well. I will go to the Hethites and see what they say.

*(Ike exits. Het 1, Het 2, and Ephron enter)*

**HET 1:** Welcome Abraham. We have heard that your dear wife has died. We offer our condolences to you. What might we do for you?

**ABE:** "I am an alien residing among you. Give me burial property among you so that I can bury my dead."

**HET 2:** "Listen to us, my lord. You are a prince of God among us. Bury your dead in our finest burial place.

**HET 1:** None of us will withhold from you his burial place for burying your dead."

*(Abe bows down)*

**ABE:** "If you are willing for me to bury my dead, listen to me and ask Ephron son of Zohar on my behalf to give me the cave of Machpelah that belongs to him; it is at the end of his field. Let him give it to me in your presence, for the full price, as burial property."

*(Ephron steps forward)*

**EPHRON:** "No, my lord.

**ABE:** Oh, I didn't see you sitting there Ephron.

**EPHRON:** Listen to me, Abraham. I give you the field, and I give you the cave that is in it. I give it to you in the sight of my people. Bury your dead."

**HET 1:** Very good, very good!

**HET 2:** That is very generous of you Ephron.

*(Abe bows again)*

**ABE:** "Listen to me, if you please. Let me pay the price of the field. Accept it from me and let me bury my dead there."

**HET 1:** Good show, I say.

**HET 2:** Abraham is a stand-up guy.

**EPHRON:** “My lord, listen to me. Land worth four hundred shekels of silver—what is that between you and me? Bury your dead.”

**HET 1:** Excellent!

**HET 2:** Four hundred shekels, huh? I guess that’s a good price.

**ABE:** I’ll pay it.

*(Abe gets out his silver and weighs it)*

**ABE:** Here. Four hundred shekels like you said.

**EPHRON:** Agreed. So the field at Machpelah near Mamre, the field with its cave and all the trees anywhere within the boundaries of the field are now Abraham’s possession. This transaction has taken place in the sight of all the Hethites who are here at the city gate.

**HET 1:** This transaction has been witnessed by me.

**HET 2:** And me.

*(Abe bows)*

**ABE:** I must now leave you and bury my dead.

*(Ephron, Het 1 and Het 2 exit Abe walks back to the tent. Ike exits the tent.)*

**IKE:** Were you successful in buying the land?

**ABE:** Yes, I was. I purchased the cave and the field from Ephron.

**IKE:** The body has been prepared. Should we make our way to the cave?

**ABE:** It’s time.

*(Abe and Ike exit)*

**KB:** Abraham buried his wife Sarah in the cave of the field at Machpelah near Mamre (that is, Hebron) in the land of Canaan. The field with its cave passed from the Hethites to Abraham as burial property.

In our story, we saw the death of Sarah. Since Abraham's family was not from the land of Canaan, he did not own any property where he could bury Sarah's body. The only choice he had was to go to the people that lived in the land and ask them if he could buy some property. The Hethites liked Abraham and agreed to give any piece of land that Abraham wanted. Abraham was familiar with the cave at Machpelah and asked if he could have it. The owner, a man named Ephron, agreed to give it to Abraham but Abraham refused and paid for it. Abraham eventually buried Sarah's body in the cave.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Hebrews 11: 13-16 "These all died in faith, although they had not received the things that were promised. But they saw them from a distance, greeted them, and confessed that they were foreigners and temporary residents on the earth. Now those who say such things make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they were thinking about where they came from, they would have had an opportunity to return. But they now desire a better place—a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them."

Abraham told the Hethites that he was an alien, not a space alien, but a person that was not from that country. He was only a temporary resident. But didn't God promise him that land? Wasn't that to be his home and all of his descendants?

The book of Hebrews makes it clear that the home that Abraham was looking for was a heavenly home. Abraham was looking forward to a home, built by God himself. He probably could have bought a piece of land to live on along with the burial cave but he chose not to because he knew that he would never truly be home until he was in heaven.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 9

Genesis 24

## The Wife

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.” (Hebrews 11:1, 6).

In the last two weeks, we talked about faith and what it means. We also talked about, how you must have faith in God. Finally, we get to the end of the passage which says that you must believe two things. You must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

The first one makes sense. If you want to draw near to God, enjoying all that he is and has, then you must believe that he exists. No one ever tries to get close to someone who they believe doesn't exist. That wouldn't make any sense. If you believe that your Adventure Club leaders don't exist, then are you going to listen to what they tell you to do? If you deny they exist, will you pay attention to them even if they are jumping right in your face? No, you will just ignore them. You must believe in God to draw near to him, to hear what he has to say and to seek him out.

Second, you must believe that God rewards those who seek him. And what are his rewards? One of the rewards is the presence of the Holy Spirit. God himself would make his home in you. He would never leave you all alone and would always be there to help you. Another reward is eternal life. God promised to give a life that would never end to those that seek him out.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam.

**WORD:** That's right. Adam was a down to earth kind of guy. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about The Wife.

*(Abe and Servant enter)*

**KB:** Abraham was now old, getting on in years, and the Lord had blessed him in everything. Isaac was old enough now to get married and so Abraham called on his servant for help.

**ABE:** "Place your hand under my thigh, and I will have you swear by the Lord, God of heaven and God of earth, that you will not take a wife for my son from the daughters of

the Canaanites among whom I live, but will go to my land and my family to take a wife for my son Isaac.”

**SERVANT:** “Suppose the woman is unwilling to follow me to this land? Should I have your son go back to the land you came from?”

**ABE:** “Make sure that you don’t take my son back there. The Lord, the God of heaven, who took me from my father’s house and from my native land, who spoke to me and swore to me, ‘I will give this land to your offspring’—he will send his angel before you, and you can take a wife for my son from there. If the woman is unwilling to follow you, then you are free from this oath to me, but don’t let my son go back there.”

*(Servant places his hand under Abe's thigh)*

**SERVANT:** I swear by the Lord, God of heaven and God of earth, that I will not take a wife for your son from the Canaanites nor take him back to where you were from.

**ABE:** Very good. Now I have prepared gifts for you to take. Prepare your provisions and take ten of my camels and the men that you need to make the journey.

**SERVANT:** Yes, master.

*(Servant gathers up his bag and begins walking on his journey)*

**KB:** The servant took ten of his master’s camels, and with all kinds of his master’s goods in hand, he went to Aram-naharaim, to Nahor’s town. At evening, the time when women went out to draw water, he made the camels kneel beside a well outside the town.

**SERVANT:** Kneel, you camels. Kneel! Come on George. There you go. Finally, we are here. Now to get down to business.

*(Servant kneels)*

**SERVANT:** “Lord, God of my master Abraham, make this happen for me today, and show kindness to my master Abraham. I am standing here at the spring where the daughters of the men of the town are coming out to draw water. Let the girl to whom I say, ‘Please lower your water jug so that I may drink,’ and who responds, ‘Drink, and I’ll

water your camels also'—let her be the one you have appointed for your servant Isaac. By this, I will know that you have shown kindness to my master.”

*(Rebekah enters with her water jug on her shoulder).*

**KB:** Before he had finished speaking, there was Rebekah—daughter of Bethuel son of Milcah, the wife of Abraham’s brother Nahor—coming with a jug on her shoulder. Now the girl was very beautiful and was unmarried.

*(Rebekah goes down to the spring, fills her jug, and comes back up.)*

**SERVANT:** Please let me have a little water from your jug.

**REBEKAH:** “Drink, my lord. I’ll also draw water for your camels until they have had enough to drink.

*(Servant places a ring on Rebekah’s nose and bracelets on her wrists)*

**SERVANT:** “Whose daughter, are you? Please tell me, is there room in your father’s house for us to spend the night?”

**REBEKAH:** “I am the daughter of Bethuel son of Milcah, whom she bore to Nahor. We have plenty of straw and feed and a place to spend the night.”

*(Servant kneels)*

**SERVANT:** “Blessed be the Lord, the God of my master Abraham, who has not withheld his kindness and faithfulness from my master. As for me, the Lord has led me on the journey to the house of my master’s relatives.”

*(Rebekah runs away. Laban enters)*

**LABAN:** Whoa, whoa, whoa! Where did you get that ring and bracelets?

**REBEKAH:** A man, down by the spring. He asked me for water and I gave him some and his camels. Then he asked if we had room. I told him who I was and that we had room. Then he knelt down and gave thanks to the God of Abraham his master.

*(Laban runs over to Servant)*

**LABAN** “Come, you who are blessed by the Lord. Why are you standing out here? I have prepared the house and a place for the camels.”

*(Laban and servant walk to Laban house. Laban puts food down before Servant)*

**SERVANT:** “I will not eat until I have said what I have to say.”

**LABAN:** “Please speak.”

**SERVANT:** “I am Abraham’s servant. My master put me under this oath: ‘You will not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites in whose land I live but will go to my father’s family and to my clan to take a wife for my son.’

“Today when I came to the spring, I prayed: Lord, God of my master Abraham, if only you will make my journey successful! Let the young woman who comes out to draw water, and I say to her, ‘Please let me drink a little water from your jug,’ and who responds to me, ‘Drink, and I’ll draw water for your camels also’—let her be the woman the Lord has appointed for my master’s son.

“Before I had finished praying silently, there was Rebekah coming with her jug on her shoulder. The Lord guided me on the right way to take the granddaughter of my master’s brother for his son. Now, if you are going to show kindness and faithfulness to my master, tell me; if not, tell me, and I will go elsewhere.”

**LABAN:** “This is from the Lord; we have no choice in the matter. Rebekah is here in front of you. Take her and go, and let her be a wife for your master’s son, just as the Lord has spoken.”

*(Servant bows down. Then he brings out the gifts.)*

**KB:** When Abraham’s servant heard their words, he bowed to the ground before the Lord. Then he brought out objects of silver and gold, and garments, and gave them to Rebekah. He also gave precious gifts to her brother and her mother. Then he and the men with him ate and drank and spent the night. When morning came he went to talk to Laban.

**SERVANT:** “Send me to my master.”

**LABAN** “Let the girl stay with us for about ten days. Then she can go.”

**SERVANT:** “Do not delay me, since the Lord has made my journey a success. Send me away so that I may go to my master.”

**LABAN:** “Let’s call the girl and ask her opinion. Will you go with this man?”

**REBEKAH:** “I will go.”

**LABAN:** So be it. But take your nurse with you. Now, receive this blessing:

Our sister, may you become thousands upon ten thousands. May your offspring possess the city gates of their enemies.

*(Laban exits. Servant and Rebekah begin walking. Ike enters.)*

Then Rebekah and her female servants got up, mounted the camels, and followed the man. So the servant took Rebekah and left.

**REBEKAH:** “Who is that man in the field coming to meet us?”

**SERVANT:** “It is my master.”

*(Rebekah puts on her veil and follows Servant. Servant begins to tell Ike everything that happened as they exit)*

**KB:** So Abraham’s servant told Isaac everything that he had done. Isaac brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah and took Rebekah to be his wife. Isaac loved her, and he was comforted after his mother’s death.

And that is the story of how Isaac got his wife Rebekah.

Well, guys, that’s all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Psalm 16:8 I always let the Lord guide me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 10

Genesis 25

## The Twins

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “When I look at 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, and the son of man that you care for him?” Psalm 8:3-4.

The first part of this verse talks about the heavens, the moon and the stars which are the work of God’s fingers. Way back in the book of Genesis, God told us that he created the heavens and the earth. He created the entire universe.

In Isaiah, you can read this: “Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing.” (Isaiah 40:26). The stars you see in the night sky were all placed there by God and he has named each one. That is some amazing power! And he remembers each of the billions of stars names. That is some amazing knowledge!

God tells us that on day four he created the sun and the moon. The sun was to give light for the day and the moon and the stars for the night. God set them all in their paths in outer space to serve as signs for seasons and for days and years.

When you look at those amazing pictures from outer space it is easy to be blown away by what you see; all of the galaxies and stars all spinning around. Even people who don’t believe in God stand in wonder and awe at the universe. But only a being that has an infinite mind could come up with something so amazing. And that being is the one and only God.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam.

**WORD:** That's right. Eve was made from one of Adam's ribs. Now that is a close relationship. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about The Twins.

Before we get to the twins, we must say goodbye to our friend Abraham.

*(Abe and Ike enter)*

**KB:** After the death of Sarah, Abraham remarried a woman named Keturah. Keturah gave birth to five more sons. While he was still alive, Abraham gave gifts to his other children and sent them all away from Isaac, to the country to the east.

**ABE:** Ah, my son. My only son. To you, I give all that I own. The tents, the flocks, my servants. They are all yours. May God's blessing be on you.

**IKE:** Thank you, father.

*(Abe and Ike enter the tent)*

**KB:** Abraham took his last breath and died at a good old age of 175 years, old and contented, and he was gathered to his people.

*(Ishmael enters. Ike exits the tent)*

**IKE:** Hello Ishmael.

**ISHMAEL:** Is it true? Is our father dead?

**IKE:** He is. Come and mourn for him. Then we will bury him with my mother in the cave of Machpelah.

*(Ike and Ishmael enter the tent. They exit the tent with the body of Abraham and carry it to the cave.)*

**ISHMAEL:** So where are you going now?

**IKE:** I plan on staying near Beer-lahai-roi.

**ISHMAEL:** Ah, my mother's well? A fitting place to camp.

**IKE:** How about you? Where are you living?

**ISHMAEL:** I don't know. Somewhere between Havilah and Shur, I suppose.

**IKE:** Goodbye Ishmael.

**ISHMAEL:** Goodbye, Isaac.

*(Ishmael exits)*

**KB:** Ishmael would have twelve sons and his family would spread from the town of Shur, near Egypt all the way across the Sinai Peninsula to the town of Havilah. As we talked about in a previous story, his family would live in opposition to Isaac's family.

Ishmael lived to be 137 years old when he died. And as God promised, he became a great nation.

Now we go back to Isaac's story. Do you remember the story from last week? Isaac was forty years old when Abraham's servant went and brought back Rebekah to be his wife.

*(Rebekah enters and then enters the tent).*

**IKE:** My dear Rebekah, what is the matter? You look so sad.

**REBEKAH:** We have been together for almost twenty years and I still haven't been able to have a child. I'm afraid that I never will.

**IKE:** I will pray to the Lord on your behalf that you might finally be able to have a child.

*(Rebekah goes into the tent. Ike kneels.)*

**IKE:** Lord, God of my father Abraham, hear my prayer. My wife Rebekah has been childless for all these many years. You promised my father that his offspring would be greater than the stars of the sky.

*(Rebekah exits the tent)*

**REBEKAH:** Isaac! Isaac!

**IKE:** What? What, my dear?

**REBEKAH:** I'm pregnant! Can you believe it?

**IKE:** The Lord was receptive to my prayers! Praise the Lord!

*(Rebekah and Ike go into the tent. Rebekah exits the tent with a pregnant stomach)*

**REBEKAH:** I am so blessed to be pregnant. But...oh!

*(Rachel grabs her stomach in pain.)*

**REBEKAH:** Why is this happening to me? This can't be normal. I can't take this. I must go and inquire of the Lord why this is happening.

*(Rebekah slowly kneels before God)*

**REBEKAH:** God, please hear my cries to you. Please! Why is this happening to me?

**KB:** The Lord said to her: Two nations are in your womb; two peoples will come from you and be separated. One people will be stronger than the other, and the older will serve the younger.

*(Isaac exits tent)*

**REBEKAH:** The Lord has told me that I am pregnant with twins.

**IKE:** So that is why you've been having all the problems you've been having.

**REBEKAH:** Exactly, there are two nations inside of me.

**IKE:** Wow!

**REBEKAH:** Ow!

**IKE:** That's what I said. Wow!

**REBEKAH:** Not wow. Ouch! I think it is time.

*(Rebekah enters the tent. Servant enters and then enters the tent. Ike begins to pace back and forth. Servant exits the tent with a baby wrapped in a blanket)*

**SERVANT:** Here is your first-born.

*(Servant hands baby to Ike)*

**IKE:** Why he looks red! And he has hair all over his body like a fur coat. He shall be named Esau.

*(Servant enters back into the tent and then exits the tent with another baby, handing him to Ike)*

**SERVANT:** And here is your second born. He came out holding on to the heel of his brother.

**IKE:** His name shall be Jacob.

*(Servant and Ike exit)*

**KB:** When the boys grew up, Esau became an expert hunter, an outdoorsman, but Jacob was a quiet man who stayed at home. Isaac loved Esau because he had a taste for wild game, but Rebekah loved Jacob.

*(Jake enters and begins cooking stew. Esau enters exhausted)*

**ESAU:** “Let me eat some of that red stuff because I’m exhausted.”

**JAKE:** “First sell me your birthright.”

**ESAU:** “Look, I’m about to die, so what good is a birthright to me?”

**JAKE:** “Swear to me first.”

**ESAU:** I swear! Now give me some stew.

**JAKE:** It’s a deal. Your birthright for my lentil stew. Here. Have some bread with it.

**ESAU:** Thanks! See you later.

*(Esau exits, followed shortly by Jake)*

**KB:** And that is how Rachel gave birth to the twins, Jacob and Esau. They grew up and the prophecy that God spoke to Rachel began to come true and Esau sold his status as the firstborn son to Jacob.

Well, guys, that’s all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Romans 9:10-13 And not only that but Rebekah conceived children through one man, our father Isaac. For though her sons had not been born yet or done anything good or bad, so that God’s purpose according to election might stand—not from works but from the one who calls—she was told, The older will serve the younger. As it is written: I have loved Jacob, but I have hated Esau.

The Bible tells us that from the beginning, even before Esau and Jacob existed God had chosen Jacob to be the one through whom the promise of blessing the nations would continue. The choice was not based on what kind of men the twins would be, actually, it

didn't depend on them at all. It was a free choice that God made. He chose to set his love on Jacob and not Esau. The choice rested in the knowledge and wisdom of God alone.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 11

Genesis 26

## The Lie: Part 2

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “When I look at 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, and the son of man that you care for him?”

Psalm 8:3-4.

The last time we met, we talked about how God created this amazing universe that we live in, including the sun, moon, and stars. When we look at what God created in outer space we can know that there is a God and that he is all-powerful and all knowing.

Tonight, I want to talk to you about the phrase, “the work of your fingers.” Now, those of you who were with us last year will remember the answer to this catechism question, “What is God? God is a spirit and has not a body like men.” God is not like you and me. We are made out of the stuff that God created. You have skin, muscles, hair, and blood. I have a bunch of pages and this nice bookmark. God is not made of the stuff of the universe. What he is, is a lot different from what we are.

Since that is true, why does the Bible talk about God’s fingers? In some places, it talks about his face or his hands. It even says that God has wings. We know that he doesn’t have a face or hands like yours and he doesn’t actually have wings. The Bible also says that God speaks, but if he doesn’t have a mouth and a tongue like you and I do, how can he speak?

You see, the Bible uses phrases like this to help people understand God. When we say that God created the stars by his fingers, we understand that. You can picture that in your mind. God creating the stars is like you taking some finger paint and putting it on a

piece of paper. You can picture that in your mind, can't you? That's why the Bible says that God created the heavens with his fingers.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die.

**WORD:** That's right. Did you know that you have a soul that never dies? It's true! Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about The Lie: Part 2.

Hopefully, you remember the story from a few weeks back when I told you about the famine that happened during Abraham's life. Well, another famine happened when Abraham's son, Isaac, was all grown up.

*(Rebekah and Ike enter)*

**IKE:** Ugh! I'm starving! Is there anything left to eat?

**REBEKAH:** Not much. This famine has almost wiped everything out.

**IKE:** We're going to have to move somewhere else where there is food. I hear Egypt is nice this time of year.

*(Ike walks off to the side away from Rebekah)*

**KB:** But the Lord appeared to Isaac and said, "Do not go down to Egypt. Live in the land that I tell you about; stay in this land as an alien, and I will be with you and bless you. For I will give all these lands to you and your offspring, and I will confirm the oath that I swore to your father Abraham. I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars of the sky, I will give your offspring all these lands, and all the nations of the earth will be blessed by your offspring because Abraham listened to me and kept my mandate, my commands, my statutes, and my instructions."

*(Ike walks back over to Rebekah)*

**IKE:** Rebekah! The Lord has told me that we are not to go to Egypt but are to stay in this land. I think we should go to Abimelech, king of Gerar and settle in his territory.

**REBEKAH:** Anywhere has to be better than starving here. Let's go!

*(Ike and Rebekah start walking. Man 1 and Man 2 enter)*

**MAN 1:** Hey, those two are new in town. Haven't seen them around before.

**MAN 2:** I wonder if they are married. She's beautiful.

**MAN 1:** You should go ask him.

**MAN 2:** Hey buddy!

**IKE:** Yes, how can I help you.

**MAN 2:** That beautiful woman you are traveling with, is that your wife?

**IKE:** Um, she is my sister. Yeah, that's right. Sister.

**MAN 2:** Ok, great. I'll see you...later.

*(Man 1 and Man 2 leave. Rebekah goes about setting up her home)*

**IKE:** Shoo! That was a close one. The men of this place will kill me on account of Rebekah, because of how beautiful she is.

*(Ike walks over to Rebekah. They silently talk in the background. King enters.)*

**KING:** Ah, it's good to be king! Oh, look. There are those foreigners, the brother, and sister. What were their names again? Oh yeah, Isaac and Rebekah. They've been a good addition to my kingdom. Hmm...wait a minute. Just look at how those two are acting. That's not how brothers and sisters act. I bet they are married. Are you kidding me? Hey! Isaac.

*(Ike runs over to King and bows)*

**IKE:** Yes, your majesty.

**KING:** I've been watching you and your "sister" Rebekah there. She's your wife, isn't she?

**IKE:** Um...

**KING:** So she is really your wife! How could you say, 'She is my sister'?

**IKE:** Because I thought I might die on account of her.

**KING:** What is this you've done to us? One of the people could easily have been inappropriate with your wife, and you would have brought guilt on us.

Listen to me! All my subjects! I declare that whoever harms this man or his wife will certainly be put to death. So let it be written, so let it be done!

*(Rebekah exits)*

**KB:** Isaac sowed seed in that land, and in that year, he reaped a hundred times what was sown. The Lord blessed him, and the man became rich and kept getting richer until he was very wealthy. He had flocks of sheep, herds of cattle, and many servants, and

the Philistines were envious of him. The Philistines stopped up all the wells that his father's servants had dug in the days of his father Abraham, filling them with dirt.

**KING:** Isaac, I command you to leave us, for you are much too powerful for us.

**IKE:** As you wish, I will leave your city and go to the Gerar Valley where my father Abraham once lived. I will reopen the wells that my father dug and we will dig more wells to water all of my flocks.

*(King exits)*

**KB:** One night, as Isaac was traveling about, the Lord appeared to him.

*(Ike bows down)*

**KB:** The Lord said, "I am the God of your father Abraham. Do not be afraid, for I am with you. I will bless you and multiply your offspring because of my servant Abraham."

*(Servant enters)*

**IKE:** Come here, my trusted servant. The Lord has appeared to me, here, last night. I am going to build an altar here to the Lord and we will set up our camp here.

**SERVANT:** Shall we get to work right away on digging a well here?

**IKE:** Yes. Have the men start working on that as soon as possible.

*(Servant exits. King and Phicol enter)*

**PHICOL:** Ike, buddy! How are you doing?

**IKE:** Why have you come to me? You hated me and sent me away from you.

**PHICOL:** We have clearly seen how the Lord has been with you. We think there should be an oath between two parties—between us and you.

**KING:** Let us make a covenant with you: You will not harm us, just as we have not harmed you but have done only what was good to you, sending you away in peace. You are now blessed by the Lord.

**IKE:** Very well. Let us have a banquet and then we will make our oaths.

*(Ike, Phicol, and King sit and eat. Then they stand and shake hands)*

**IKE:** I will promise not to harm you.

**KING:** I promise I will not harm you. There, see? Everything is great!

*(Servant runs in)*

**SERVANT:** Master! Master! We have found water!

**IKE:** Praise the Lord! We will call the well “The Oath”, in commemoration of this day!

*(Ike, Phicol and King exit)*

**KB:** And the name of the city that grew near the well was called Beer-sheba and that city would become a city that would show up in several more Bible stories.

So in our story tonight we saw Isaac lie about his wife Rebekah just like his dad Abraham lied about Sarah. And Isaac could have gotten into some real trouble with king Abimelech. But God made a promise to Abraham and, as we saw, God confirmed his promise with Isaac that through their family all the nations would be blessed. So, in the end, everything worked out for our friend Ike.

Well, guys, that’s all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Luke 13:28-29 “There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth in that place when you see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but yourselves thrown out. They will come from east and west, from north and south, to share the banquet in the kingdom of God.”

These are the words of Jesus to some people that thought they knew God and were going to heaven but did not want to listen to Jesus. Jesus said that they will see our friend Abraham, Isaac and his son Jacob in heaven but they will be thrown out. But people from all over the world will join in the banquet of God and the promise that God made to Abraham will be complete.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 12

Review Night

### Theo and Elly Show: FAMILY FEUD

#### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

#### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “When I look at 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, and the son of man that you care for him?” Psalm 8:3-4.

Last time we talked about how God is not like you or me. We were created, God was not. This week we want to look at the last part of the verse which says, “what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?”

Since God can create the universe like you can use finger paints, and there are no words that can truly explain who God is, then why would a being so great care for you? What is so great about people that God would think about them? Nothing, really. But that’s what God does.

Why is God mindful of people and cares for them? Our friend Cat would give you a simple answer, “For his own glory.” That is probably the best answer that you can give. He cares for people because it gives him glory. And when God gets the glory, he shares that with people, and that’s good for them.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let’s welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey

God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die.

**WORD:** That's right. Even though your body may someday die, you will live on forever and ever.

OK! Tonight is Review Night so you know what that means!

**CAT:** The Theo and Elly Show!

**SLIDE**

**ELLY:** Welcome to the Theo and Elly show!

**THEO:** That's right. It's review night and we are bringing you another game to help review what you've learned so far.

**ELLY:** Tonight's game is a special Theo and Elly version of...Family Feud

**THEO:** We've been learning all about one family so far this year, Abraham's family.

**ELLY:** That's right Theo. And if you are a believer in Jesus then you are a part of his family too.

**THEO:** But, if we are all one family, how are we going to have a family feud? Because the idea is that you have two families battling it out and if we are all one then we can't battle and then we can't even have separate teams and then our show will stink and we will get fired and all the kids won't like us anymore then I won't have any friends and then I'll cry and then I'll get dehydrated then I'll end up in the hospital and then I'll get some rare disease and then... I'll die.

**ELLY:** Just split it down the middle, like we always do.

**THEO:** O, ok. Each round will have a question. A team has to guess all the answers in order to get the points. If the team gets three strikes, the other team can steal by guessing a right answer.

**ELLY:** Do we have our teams captains? Yes!

**THEO:** Let the battle, begin!

*(Use the powerpoint game. Have questions and answers written out for puppeteers as they Ad Lib throughout the game.)*

Lesson 13

Genesis 27

## The Blessing

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.” (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

There is a lot to talk about in these two verses, but, for tonight, let’s focus in on just the beginning part that says that “All Scripture is breathed out by God.” First, what does it mean when it says, “All Scripture”? What is scripture? When we talk about the scriptures we are talking about me, the Bible, the word of God. Within my pages, you will find 66 books. The books were written over a span of hundreds of years by many different people. There are stories, like the ones about Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. There are poems and songs. There are prophecies that talk about the future. There are warnings and commands. You’ll even find a book all about love. When we talk about scripture that’s what we are talking about.

Now, all scripture is breathed out by God. That’s an interesting picture, isn’t it? Sometimes when we talk about scripture being breathed out by God we use the word “inspiration”. This means that the men that sat down to write the books of the Bible wrote down exactly what God wanted them to. There were no errors or things forgotten but the Bible came together just how God wanted.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die.

And now for the question for this week.

### **SLIDE**

**CAT:** Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die.

**WORD:** That's right. God gave every person a soul that can't die. That's one amazing creation! Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

### **PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about The Blessing.

*(Ike stumbles in)*

Many years have passed since the last time we talked about our friend Isaac. He had gotten old and his eyes had grown weak so that he could not see.

*(Ike sits down)*

**IKE:** Esau, my son?

*(Esau enters)*

**ESAU:** Here I am.

*(Rebekah sneaks in and stands off to the side)*

**IKE:** Look, I am old and do not know the day of my death. So now take your hunting gear, your quiver, and bow, and go out in the field to hunt some game for me. Then make me a delicious meal that I love and bring it to me to eat, so that I can bless you before I die.”

**ESAU:** Yes father. I will go right away.

*(Esau runs out)*

**REBEKAH:** Jacob! Come here!

*(Jake enters)*

**JAKE:** Hey, mom what going on?

**REBEKAH:** Listen! I heard your father talking to your brother Esau. He said, ‘Bring me game and make a delicious meal for me to eat so that I can bless you in the Lord’s presence before I die.’ Now, my son, listen to me and do what I tell you. Go to the flock and bring me two choice young goats, and I will make them into a delicious meal for your father—the kind he loves. Then take it to your father to eat so that he may bless you before he dies.

**JAKE:** Look, my brother Esau is a hairy man, but I am a man with smooth skin. Suppose my father touches me. Then I will be revealed to him as a deceiver and bring a curse rather than a blessing on myself.

**REBEKAH:** Your curse be on me, my son. Just obey me and go get them for me.

**JAKE:** Yes, mom. You always know what’s best.

*(Jake wanders off the stage)*

**JAKE:** Here are some goats. Come on goats. Dad’s hungry and I need a blessing.

*(Jake takes the goats to Rebekah and she begins preparing them)*

**REBEKAH:** I know just the way your father loves his meat. Smells good, doesn't it?

**JAKE:** It sure does mom.

**REBEKAH:** Now, I have over here some of Esau's best clothes.

**JAKE:** Ugh, they stink like...like...Esau.

**REBEKAH:** Just put them on. And here. We are going to attach these goat skins on your hands and the back of your neck. Take the food and the bread to your father.

*(Jake walks over to Ike)*

**JAKE:** My father.

**IKE:** Here I am. Who are you, my son?

**JAKE:** I am Esau, your firstborn. I have done as you told me. Please sit up and eat some of my game so that you may bless me.

**IKE:** How did you ever find it so quickly, my son?

**JAKE:** Because the Lord your God made it happen for me.

**IKE:** Please come closer so I can touch you, my son. Are you really my son Esau or not?

*(Jake leans closer to Ike. Ike reaches out and touches Jake)*

**IKE:** The voice is the voice of Jacob, but the hands are the hands of Esau. Are you really my son Esau?

**JAKE:** I am.

**IKE:** Bring it closer to me and let me eat some of my son's game so that I can bless you."

**JAKE:** Here you are. And here, have some wine.

**IKE:** Please come closer and kiss me, my son.

*(Jake leans over and kisses Jake. Ike smells Jake.)*

**IKE:** Ah, the smell of my son is like the smell of a field that the Lord has blessed. May God give to you—from the dew of the sky and from the richness of the land—an abundance of grain and new wine. May peoples serve you and nations bow in worship to you. Be master over your relatives; may your mother's sons bow in worship to you. Those who curse you will be cursed, and those who bless you will be blessed.

**JAKE:** Thank you, my father.

*(Jake runs over to Rebekah)*

**JAKE:** Yes! We did it.

*(Rebekah and Jake leave)*

**KB:** As soon as Isaac had finished blessing Jacob and Jacob had left the presence of his father Isaac, his brother Esau arrived from his hunting. He had also made some delicious food and brought it to his father.

*(Esau enters)*

**ESAU:** Let my father get up and eat some of his son's game, so that you may bless me.

**IKE:** Who are you?

**ESAU:** I am Esau your firstborn son.

**IKE:** Who was it then who hunted game and brought it to me? I ate it all before you came in, and I blessed him. Indeed, he will be blessed!

**ESAU:** Arrrrr! Bless me too, my father!

**IKE:** Your brother came deceitfully and took your blessing.

**ESAU:** Isn't he rightly named Jacob? For he has cheated me twice now. He took my birthright, and look, now he has taken my blessing. Haven't you saved a blessing for me?

**IKE:** Look, I have made him a master over you, have given him all of his relatives as his servants, and have sustained him with grain and new wine. What then can I do for you, my son?

**ESAU:** Do you have only one blessing, my father? Bless me too, my father!

*(Esau begins to cry)*

**IKE:** Look, your dwelling place will be away from the richness of the land, away from the dew of the sky above. You will live by your sword, and you will serve your brother. But when you rebel, you will break his yoke from your neck.

**KB:** Esau held a grudge against Jacob because of the blessing his father had given him. And Esau determined in his heart...

**ESAU:** The days of mourning for my father are approaching; then I will kill my brother Jacob.

**KB:** So in tonight's story we saw how Rebekah helped Jacob to deceive his father and claim his father's blessing. Rebekah cooked some meat and made bread for Jacob to give to Isaac. She also put some goat skins on Jacob's arms and neck and put Esau's clothes on Jacob so that he could pretend to be Esau. Everything went according to their plan and Jacob got the blessing. But then Esau came home and found out that his blessing as the firstborn son was stolen by his brother. Esau was not a happy guy because not only had he traded his birthright but now he had lost his father's blessing.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Romans 9:13 "As it is written: I have loved Jacob, but I have hated Esau."

A couple of lessons ago we talked about how God set his love on Jacob and not on Esau. The blessing God gave to Abraham would come through Isaac and then to Jacob. As you saw in the story, the blessing and the birthright should have gone to Esau, but it was not to be. Now what Jacob did was wrong. He was a cheat. But God used the sinful actions of Jacob to bring about his plan and his purposes.

Isn't it amazing how God works? He always accomplishes his plans no matter what people do. Did you know that God has a plan for your life to?

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 14

Genesis 28

## The Stairway

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.” (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

Last time we talked about how all Scripture is breathed out by God. Since every word of the Bible comes from God, it is a very useful book. These verses mention four things that the Bible is good for: teaching, reproof, correction, and training in righteousness.

The Bible is good for teaching because it tells you all about God. It is in the Bible that you find out who God is, what he has done in the past, and what he will do in the future. The Bible teaches you about what is good and evil. You learn about who people are and their desperate need for a savior. You also learn about who that Savior is.

The Bible is useful for reproof. To reprove someone is to point out their blame or to show that what they are doing is wrong. The Bible explains what God desires in the actions and thoughts of people and can be used to show people that what they are doing is wrong.

Not only is the Bible good for pointing out wrong actions and thoughts it can be used to bring people back from evil and wrong to what is good and right.

Finally, the Bible is useful for training in righteousness. In other words, the Bible is like a workout for doing right things. It can build your life up so that you are able to do more and more good things and to not fall so easily into doing evil things.

I bet you didn't know your friend Word was so useful, did you?

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die.

**WORD:** That's right. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about "The Stairway".

*(Rebekah and Jake enter)*

**KB:** If you remember last time, Jacob, with the prompting and help of his mother, stole the blessing that was to go to Esau. When Esau found out he was furious and he said

that on the day his father Isaac died, he would kill Jacob. So, when the words of her older son Esau were reported to Rebekah, she summoned her younger son Jacob.

**REBEKAH:** Listen, your brother Esau is consoling himself by planning to kill you. So now, my son, listen to me. Flee at once to my brother Laban in Haran, and stay with him for a few days until your brother's anger subsides—until your brother's rage turns away from you and he forgets what you have done to him. Then I will send for you and bring you back from there. Why should I lose you both in one day?"

*(Ike stumbles in. Jacob goes to the side and begins packing his things)*

**REBEKAH:** Isaac! Isaac! I'm sick of my life because of these Hethite girls. If Jacob marries someone from around here, like these Hethite girls, what good is my life?

**IKE:** Yes, my dear. I'll talk to the boy. Jacob?

**JAKE:** I am here.

**IKE:** Come here, my boy. Listen to me.

**JAKE:** Yes, father.

**IKE:** Do not marry a Canaanite girl. Go at once to Paddan-aram, to the house of Bethuel, your mother's father. Marry one of the daughters of Laban, your mother's brother. May God Almighty bless you and make you fruitful and multiply you so that you become an assembly of peoples. May God give you and your offspring the blessing of Abraham so that you may possess the land where you live as a foreigner, the land God gave to Abraham."

**JAKE:** Thank you, my father. I will leave as soon as I can.

**KB:** So Isaac sent Jacob to Paddan-aram, to Laban son of Bethuel the Aramean, the brother of Rebekah, the mother of Jacob and Esau.

*(Jake finishes packing and then exits. Rebekah and Ike exit. Esau enters)*

**ESAU:** So dad has sent Jacob off to Paddan-aram to get a wife. "Do not marry a Canaanite girl." Hmm...I know mom and dad already hate my Hethite wives. Well, I'll show them. I'll go to Ishmael's family, dad's half-brother and I'll take one of his

daughters for a wife too. Ha! That'll really irritate them. I wonder what my cousin Mahalath is doing today?

*(Esau exits. Jake enters)*

**KB:** So Jacob left his mother and father in Beer-sheba and went toward Haran where Rebekah's family lived. One day, as Jacob was on his journey, night fell and he made camp.

**JAKE:** Looks like the sun is beginning to set. I better find a place to sleep before it gets dark.

*(Jake lays down, but tosses and turns.)*

**JAKE:** I just can't get comfortable. Let's see. I could use a pillow. This rock here looks like a good size.

*(Jake takes the rock and puts it under his head)*

**JAKE:** Wow. I'm exhausted. Running from a blood-thirsty twin brother can really wear you out. I think I'll just roll over and...

*(Jake starts snoring)*

**KB:** As Jacob slept, God appeared to him in his dream.

*(Lights turn blue. Jake gets up. The staircase with angels on it appears.)*

**JAKE:** Whoa, what's going on? I must be dreaming. What's that? Now I know I'm dreaming. It looks like a staircase. It starts here on the ground and its top reaches up into the sky. And what are those people on the staircase? Those must be God's angels. Some are walking up and some are walking down.

**KB:** The Lord appeared to Jacob in his dream and stood next to him. The Lord said, "I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your offspring the land on which you are lying. Your offspring will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out toward the west, the east, the north, and the south. All the peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. Look, I am with you

and will watch over you wherever you go. I will bring you back to this land, for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.”

*(Jake lies down again. The lights go back to normal. Jake wakes up)*

**JAKE:** Wow, what a dream. Surely the Lord is in this place, and I did not know it. Umm, I’m kind of freaking out here. What an awesome place this is! This is none other than the house of God. This is the gate of heaven!

I’m going to take this stone that I slept on and I’ll set it up as a marker.

*(Jake takes and sets the stone up so everyone can see it.)*

**JAKE:** There. I’ll get some oil out of my bag here.

*(Jake gets the oil and pours it on the rock)*

**JAKE:** I hereby rename the place Bethel, which means the house of God.

*(Jake kneels and raises his hands)*

**JAKE:** I swear that if God will be with me and watch over me during this journey I’m making if he provides me with food to eat and clothing to wear, and if I return safely to my father’s family, then the Lord will be my God. This stone that I have set up as a marker will be God’s house, and I will give you a tenth of all that you give me.”

**KB:** And that’s our story for tonight. We saw how Rebekah warned Jacob that Esau was angry with him; angry enough to kill him. Also, Rebekah did not want Jacob to marry any of the local women like Esau had done, so she and Isaac sent Jacob to live with Rebekah’s family for some time. On Jacob’s journey to Haran, he had an amazing dream where he saw a giant staircase that the angels were using to go up and down on. God promised to keep the promise that he had made to Abraham and Isaac with him. Jacob named the place Bethel, which means House of God. Jacob promised to follow God if God took care of him. Do you think God took care of him? Of course, he did!

Well, guys, that’s all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

John 1:43-51

“The next day Jesus<sup>[u]</sup> decided to leave for Galilee. He found Philip and told him, “Follow me.”

<sup>44</sup> Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the hometown of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and told him, “We have found the one Moses wrote about in the law (and so did the prophets): Jesus the son of Joseph, from Nazareth.”

<sup>46</sup> “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Nathanael asked him.

“Come and see,” Philip answered.

<sup>47</sup> Then Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said about him, “Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.”

<sup>48</sup> “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked.

“Before Philip called you when you were under the fig tree, I saw you,” Jesus answered.

<sup>49</sup> “Rabbi,” Nathanael replied, “You are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel!”

<sup>50</sup> Jesus responded to him, “Do you believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this.” <sup>51</sup> Then he said, “Truly I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

One of the favorite names that Jesus liked to call himself was “the Son of Man”. Here Jesus said that Nathanael should not be so amazed at the fact the Jesus saw him sitting under the fig tree when Jesus wasn’t physically there because he will see even greater things like the angels ascending and descending on him. That’s like what Jacob saw in his dream, but here, Jesus is the staircase, the one that bridges the gap between God and man.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 15

Genesis 29:1-30:24

## The Deception

**WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER**

**MUSIC**

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.” (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

We have already talked about what the Bible is and what it is used for. Finally, we get to the last part which says, “that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.” This is one of the Bible’s purposes.

Reading and knowing the Bible can make you complete. Now, it doesn’t say that it makes you perfect, because none of you humans become perfect until you meet Jesus in heaven. But, the Bible can train you up to make you able to do what God wants you to do. It’s like when you play with Play-doh. You take one of those molds and you push the Play-doh into it. When you pull out the Play-doh it looks like the mold. That’s what the Bible does to you. God wants you to be like Jesus and the Bible is the mold into which you are put. When you come out the other side, you start looking like Jesus.

Not only does the Bible form you into a godly person, the Bible also equips you with all the tools you need. Can you imagine someone teaching you how to fish? They give all the lessons on how to put bait on, which bait to use for which fish. They even teach you about all the different fish you can catch, but then they send out to the water with no boat, no bait and not even a fishing pole and say, “go catch some fish.” That would be silly. The Bible not only trains you into a person that can do good works, it gives you everything you need to do them like a fishing instructor giving you all the best gear.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so.

**WORD:** That's right. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about "The Deception".

*(Jake enters)*

**KB:** Last time, we talked about how God met with Jacob as Jacob was running for his life away from Esau. After Jacob's dream at Bethel, Jacob resumed his journey and went to the eastern country. He looked and saw a well in a field. Three flocks of sheep were lying there beside it because the sheep were watered from this well. But a large

stone covered the opening of the well. The shepherds would roll the stone from the opening of the well and water the sheep when all the flocks were gathered there. Then they would return the stone to its place over the well's opening.

*(Shep 1 and Shep 2 enter)*

**JAKE:** My brothers! Where are you from?

**SHEP 1:** We're from Haran.

**JAKE:** Do you know Laban grandson of Nahor?

**SHEP 2:** We know him.

**JAKE:** Is he well?

**SHEP 1:** Yes, and here is his daughter Rachel, coming with his sheep.

**JAKE:** Look, it is still broad daylight. It's not the time for the animals to be gathered. Water the flock, then go out and let them graze.

**SHEP 2:** We can't until all the flocks have been gathered and the stone is rolled from the well's opening. Then we will water the sheep.

*(Rachel enters)*

**KB:** While he was still speaking with them, Rachel came with her father's sheep, for she was a shepherdess.

*(Jake walks over to the well and uncovers the well)*

**JAKE:** Come here little sheep. I have some water for you. Rachel! I am one of your father's relatives, Rebekah's son.

**RACHEL:** Wait here!

*(Rachel runs toward Laban as he enters)*

**RACHEL:** Father! Father!

**LABAN:** Yes, my child?

**RACHEL:** There is a man named Jacob down by the well. He says he is your relative, the son of your sister Rebekah.

**LABAN:** I'll go and greet him right away.

*(Rachel exits. Laban runs over to Jacob and gives him a hug)*

**LABAN:** Jacob my boy. Welcome to Haran. Come. You must stay at my home. Yes, you are my own flesh and blood.

**KB:** Jacob had stayed with Laban a month when Laban came to talk to him about paying him for his work.

**LABAN:** Jacob, just because you're my relative, should you work for me for nothing? Tell me what your wages should be.

**JAKE:** I'll work for you for seven years for your younger daughter Rachel.

**LABAN:** Better I give her to you than to some other man. Stay with me.

**JAKE:** I will. And seven years for Rachel will only feel like a few days because I love her so much.

**KB:** Now Laban had two daughters: the older was named Leah, and the younger was named Rachel. Leah had tender eyes, but Rachel was shapely and beautiful. Because Jacob loved Rachel very much he worked the seven years. Finally, when the seventh year ended Jacob went to talk to Laban.

**JAKE:** Uncle Laban. Since my time is complete, give me my wife.

**LABAN:** Very well. I will invite all the men in the area and we will have a great feast!

*(Laban brings out food and cups. Jake sits down with Laban and they eat and drink together. Jake gets up and goes into the tent. Laban exits and returns with Leah)*

**LABAN:** Guess what Leah. It's your lucky day. You are marrying Jacob.

**LEAH:** I thought Jacob and Rachel were in love.

**LABAN:** Never mind that. In you go.

*(Laban pushes Leah into the tent. Laban goes back and sits down by the food and falls asleep. Jake is heard yelling from the tent. Jake exits tent)*

**JAKE:** Laban!

**LABAN:** Is it morning already? Let the wedding festivities continue!

**JAKE:** What is this you have done to me? Wasn't it for Rachel that I worked for you? Why have you deceived me?

**LABAN:** It is not the custom in this place to give the younger daughter in marriage before the firstborn. Complete this week of the wedding celebration, and we will also give you this younger one in return for working yet another seven years for me.

**JAKE:** Fine. I will agree to work for seven more years if that means I will have my love Rachel.

**LABAN:** Agreed. Now come on! It's a party. And as a gift to my daughters, I give my slave girl Zilpah and to Rachel, I will give my slave Bilhah. All is well.

**KB:** Jacob finished the week of the wedding celebration and Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as his wife.

*(Laban exits. Rachel, Leah, Zilpah, and Bilhah enter and stand in a line. Jacob stands near them.)*

**KB:** Jacob loved Rachel more than he loved Leah. When the Lord saw that Leah was unloved, he opened her womb; but Rachel was unable to have children. Leah conceived and gave birth to a son.

*(Leah picks up a baby doll)*

**LEAH:** I will name him Reuben for the Lord has seen my affliction; surely my husband will love me now.

**KB:** She conceived again and gave birth to a son.

*(Leah picks up another doll)*

**LEAH:** The Lord heard that I am unloved and has given me this son also. His name will be Simeon.

**KB:** She conceived again, and gave birth to a third son.

*(Leah picks up a third doll)*

**LEAH:** At last, my husband will become attached to me because I have borne three sons for him. His name is Levi.

**KB:** Again she conceived and gave birth to a fourth son.

*(Leah picks up a fourth doll)*

**LEAH:** This time I will praise the Lord. His name is Judah.

**KB:** After Judah, Leah stopped having children. When Rachel saw that she was not bearing Jacob any children, she envied her sister.

**RACHEL:** Jacob, give me sons, or I will die!

**JACOB:** Am I in God's place, who has withheld offspring from you?

**RACHEL:** Here is my maid Bilhah. Take her as your wife and she'll bear children for me so that through her I too can build a family.

*(Bilhah picks up a doll)*

**KB:** Bilhah conceived and bore Jacob a son.

**RACHEL:** God has vindicated me; yes, he has heard me and given me a son. I will name him Dan.

*(Bilhah picks up a second doll)*

**KB:** Rachel's slave Bilhah conceived again and bore Jacob a second son.

**RACHEL:** In my wrestlings with God, I have wrestled with my sister and won. His name is Naphtali.

**KB:** When Leah saw that she had stopped having children, she took her slave Zilpah and gave her to Jacob as his fourth wife. Zilpah bore Jacob a son.

*(Zilpah picks up a doll)*

**LEAH:** What good fortune! I'll call him Gad.

*(Zilpah picks up a second doll)*

**LEAH:** Another son! I am happy that the women call me happy, so his name will be Asher.

**KB:** God listened to Leah, and she conceived and bore Jacob a fifth son.

*(Leah picks up a fifth doll)*

**LEAH:** God has rewarded me for giving my slave to my husband. Your name is Issachar.

*(Leah picks up a sixth doll)*

**LEAH:** God has given me a good gift. This time my husband will honor me because I have borne him six sons for him. He will be called Zebulun.

**KB:** Then God remembered Rachel. He listened to her and opened her womb. She conceived and bore a son.

*(Rachel picks up a doll)*

**RACHEL:** God has taken away my disgrace. His name is Joseph. May the Lord add to me another son.

*(Everyone exits except KB)*

**KB:** And that's our story. Tonight, we saw Jacob meeting and falling in love with Rachel. Laban tricked Jacob into marrying both his daughters which began all kinds of trouble in Jacob's household. The two sisters were jealous of each other and saw having babies as a way to either gain or keep the love of Jacob. What a mess.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

**SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Hebrews 7:14 Now it is evident that our Lord came from Judah, and Moses said nothing about that tribe concerning priests.

Revelation 5:5 Then one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Look, the Lion from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered so that he is able to open the scroll and its seven seals."

God's promise to bless the nations came through Jacob's son Judah.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 16

Genesis 30:25-31:55

## The Flocks

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verse for this week is, “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.” Hebrews 10:23.

For tonight, let’s start with talking about the phrase, “the confession of our hope.” What does that mean?

Let’s talk about the word confession. To confess something is to publicly declare a belief in and commitment to something. Your confession is what you say you believe. If I were to ask one of you to stand up and tell us what the best food is and why and you said that the best food is pizza because you like the gooey cheese and the yummy sauce, then that would be your confession about the best food. Now that is what a confession is, but what does this verse say that you are to confess?

Hebrews 10:23 talks about the confession of our hope. What you are to confess is your hope. But what should be your hope? In the book of Hebrews, the word hope always refers to Jesus. The hope is what Jesus accomplished in his death and resurrection from the dead or his coming back to earth the second time.

So to put it all together, the confession of our hope means that you publicly declare and commit yourself to the death and resurrection of Jesus and his coming to earth again and everything that goes along with that. To say it even more simply, your confession of hope is Jesus.

I think it is about time for us to sing this verse. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so.

**WORD:** That's right. I do tell you that, don't I. I'm glad you are paying attention. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about "The Flocks".

Last time, we finished our story we talked about Jacob's sons and all the craziness that was happening there. Tonight, we pick up Jacob's story right after the birth of Joseph.

*(Laban enters followed by Jake)*

**JAKE:** Laban, send me on my way so that I can return to my homeland. Give me my wives and my children that I have worked for and let me go. You know how hard I have worked for you.

**LABAN:** If I have found favor with you, stay. I have learned by divination that the LORD has blessed me because of you. Name your wages, and I will pay them.

**JAKE:** You know how I have served you and how your herds have fared with me. For you had very little before I came, but now your wealth has increased. The LORD has blessed you because of me. And now, when will I also do something for my own family?

**LABAN:** What should I give you?

**JAKE:** You don't need to give me anything. If you do this one thing for me, I will continue to shepherd and keep your flock. Let me go through all your sheep today and remove every sheep that is speckled or spotted, every dark-colored sheep among the lambs, and the spotted and speckled among the female goats. Such will be my wages. In the future when you come to check on my wages, my honesty will testify for me. If I have any female goats that are not speckled or spotted or any lambs that are not black, they will be considered stolen.

**LABAN:** Good. Let it be as you have said.

*(Laban and Jake shake hands. Jake exits. Son 1 and Son 2 enter)*

**LABAN:** My boys, come here.

**SON 1:** What do you need, father?

**LABAN:** I'm going to take all of the streaked and spotted male goats and all the speckled and spotted female goats, any that have white on them, and every dark-colored lamb out of the flock. I want you to shepherd them but I want you to be a three-day journey between you and Jacob who will keep the rest of the flocks.

**SON 2:** No problem. We can do that.

**LABAN:** Great. Let's go separate them.

*(Laban, Son 1, and Son 2 exit. Jake enters)*

**JAKE:** Wow. I thought there were more spotted goats and dark colored sheep than this. There has to be a way that I can get more of the kids and lambs to be speckled and spotted. Hmm...

*(Jake walks over and picks up some sticks.)*

**JAKE:** I'll take this fresh poplar, almond and plane wood branches and peel back some of the bark so it'll have white stripes on it. Then I'll put the branches in the water troughs.

**KB:** So Jacob placed the branches in the water channels where the sheep came to drink. And the sheep that drank in front of the branches bore streaked, speckled and spotted young. Jacob separated the lambs and made the flocks face the streaked sheep and the completely dark sheep in Laban's flocks. Then he set his own stock apart and didn't put them with Laban's sheep.

Jacob would only put the branches in the water when the strong sheep came to drink. When the weak ones came he did not put out the branches. So it turned out that the weak sheep belonged to Laban and the stronger ones to Jacob. And Jacob became very rich with many flocks, female and male servants, camels and donkeys.

*(Son 1 and Son 2 enter)*

**SON 1:** Look at all these flocks that belong to Jacob now.

**SON 2:** Yeah. Jacob has taken all that was our father's and has built this wealth from what belonged to our father.

**SON 1:** This is ridiculous. We need to tell Dad about this. He needs to do something.

*(Son 1 and Son 2 exit)*

**KB:** Jacob began to see that Laban's attitude toward him was changing for the worse. Then the Lord spoke to Jacob in a dream.

*(Jacob lies down to sleep)*

**KB:** In Jacob's dream he saw that all the streaked, spotted and speckled sheep were the ones having lambs. Then God said to him, "I have seen all that Laban has been

doing to you. I am the God of Bethel, where you poured oil on the stone marker and made a solemn vow to me. Get up, leave this land, and return to your native land.

*(Jacob wakes up. Rachel and Leah enter).*

**JAKE:** I can see from your father's face that his attitude toward me is not the same as before, but the God of my father has been with me. You know that with all my strength I have served your father and that he has cheated me and changed my wages ten times. God has taken away your father's herds and given them to me.

**LEAH:** Do we have any portion or inheritance in our father's family? Are we not regarded by him as outsiders? For he has sold us and has certainly spent our purchase price.

**RACHEL:** In fact, all the wealth that God has taken away from our father belongs to us and to our children. So do whatever God has said to you.

**JAKE:** Your father is going to be shearing his sheep. This will be a good time for us to make our getaway. You and the children can take the camels. I and the men will drive the rest of the livestock toward the land of Canaan, back to my father's house. Let's get to work.

**RACHEL:** Sounds good. But I'll be back in a little while. There is something that I need to do first.

*(Rachel runs out. Leah and Jacob exit)*

**KB:** So Jacob fled with all his possessions, crossed the Euphrates and headed for the hill country of Gilead. Eventually, Laban figured out what happened and chased them down. Laban made Jacob promise to take care of his daughters and not to marry any more woman. Then they both agreed to not see each other again.

In tonight's story, we saw that Laban asked Jacob to stay with him and not to move away with his daughters. In return, he agreed to pay Jacob. Jacob asked to have all of the sheep and goats that were speckled, spotted and streaked. Jacob came up with a scheme using branches to get the most sheep. Eventually, Jacob had a dream where God revealed that he was the one giving Jacob all the sheep. God told Jacob that he

should leave and go back to his homeland. Jacob and his family made a run for it but eventually, Laban figured out what happened and caught up with them. In the end, Jacob and Laban agreed to go their separate ways.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Because of God's blessing, Jacob became a great shepherd with many, many animals. Did you now that Jesus is called the Good Shepherd?

John 10:11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep"

John 10:3-6 He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought all his own outside, he goes ahead of them. The sheep follow him because they know his voice. 5 They will never follow a stranger; instead, they will run away from him because they don't know the voice of strangers."

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 17

Genesis 32

## The Wrestler

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verse for this week is, “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.” Hebrews 10:23.

Last time, we talked about what the phrase “confession of our hope” means. Basically, your confession of hope is Jesus, his death, resurrection and his return.

Today, let’s talk about the phrases “let us hold fast” and “without wavering”. You know what your confession of hope is, now what are you supposed to? First, you are to hold fast. What does that mean? To hold something fast is to be firm, immovable, completely stuck to. It means you are holding on for dear life and nothing can rip you away. Have you ever see when a cat digs its claws into something and then you try to pull the cat off? You either hurt the cat or the thing the cat is holding on too. That is how hard you should hold onto your confession about Jesus.

The second phrase says, “without wavering”. What does that mean? To waver means that you are unsettled that you don’t have a firm opinion, or you doubt. It means that you really aren’t sure what you believe. Thinking about waves is obviously a good picture to think about when you’re talking about wavering. When you go to the beach and you step into the water and a wave comes toward your leg, does the wave cut right through your leg? No, the wave is moved by your leg and splits and goes around your leg. Whatever is in the path of the wave, the wave is moved by it. You put a wall in its way, the wave is stopped by it. So to be without wavering means that you are completely sold out on your belief in Jesus. That’s the place that God wants you to be.

I think it is about time for us to sing this verse. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die. How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** In what condition did God make Adam and Eve?

**WORD:** That's right. Holy and happy. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about "The Wrestler".

*(Jake enters)*

Last time we talked about our friend Jacob, he had tried to sneak away from his father-in-law Laban, but he got caught. After Jacob and Laban decided to never see each

other again, Jacob continued his journey on to Canaan. As Jacob went on his way, God's angels met him.

*(Angel enters. Jake kneels down)*

**JAKE:** This is Mahanaim. This is God's camp!

*(Jake stands and Messenger enters)*

**JAKE:** I want you to take some men with you and go ahead of me to my brother Esau in the land of Seir, which is his territory. You are to say to my lord Esau, "This is what your servant Jacob says. I have been staying with Laban and have been delayed until now. I have oxen, donkeys, flocks, and male and female slaves. I have sent this message to inform my lord, in order to seek your favor.

**MESSENGER:** Yes, my lord. We will leave immediately.

*(Messenger runs out and then runs back in)*

**JAKE:** That was fast. What news do you have?

**MESSENGER:** We went to your brother Esau; he is coming to meet you—and he has four hundred men with him.

**JAKE:** What? Four hundred men? Ah, I'm freaking out! What am I going to do? How will I survive this? Ok. Calm down, Jake. You can do this. I'll divide the camp into two camps each will have flocks, and herds and camels. If Esau comes to one camp and attacks it, the remaining one can escape.

**MESSENGER:** Yes, my lord. We will get to work on separating the animals.

*(Messenger exits. Jake kneels in prayer)*

**JAKE:** God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, the Lord who said to me, 'Go back to your land and to your family, and I will cause you to prosper,' I am unworthy of all the kindness and faithfulness you have shown your servant. Indeed, I

crossed over the Jordan with my staff, and now I have become two camps. Please rescue me from my brother Esau, for I am afraid of him; otherwise, he may come and attack me, the mothers, and their children. You have said, 'I will cause you to prosper, and I will make your offspring like the sand of the sea, too numerous to be counted.

*(Messenger reenters)*

**JAKE:** Ok, here's what we are going to do. I need a gift to give to Esau. So take two hundred female goats, twenty male goats, two hundred ewes, twenty rams, thirty milk camels with their young, forty cows, ten bulls, twenty female donkeys, and ten male donkeys. Don't put them all together but make them separate herds.

**MESSENGER:** We can do that.

**JAKE:** And put some distance between the herds. When my brother Esau meets you and asks, 'Who do you belong to? Where are you going? And whose animals are these ahead of you?' then tell him, 'They belong to your servant Jacob. They are a gift sent to my lord Esau. And look, he is behind us.'

**MESSENGER:** Sounds good. What should the second, the third group and all the people walking behind the animals say?

**JAKE:** Say the same thing to Esau when you find him. You are also to say, 'Look, your servant Jacob is right behind us.' I want to appease Esau with the gift that is going ahead of me. After that, I can face him, and perhaps he will forgive me.

**MESSENGER:** Very well, my lord. We will do as you say.

*(Messenger exits)*

**KB:** So the gift was sent on ahead of Jacob while he remained in the camp that night. During the night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two slave women, and his eleven sons, and crossed the ford of Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, along with all his possessions.

So Jacob was left all alone.

*(Man enters and grabs Jake and they begin to wrestle. Eventually, Man strikes Jake on his hip. Jake cries out in pain. )*

**KB:** While Jacob was alone, a man appeared and began to wrestle Jacob. As the day began to break, the man saw that he could not defeat him and he struck Jacob's hip socket and dislocated his hip.

**MAN:** Let me go, for it is daybreak.

**JAKE:** I will not let you go unless you bless me.

**MAN:** What is your name?

**JAKE:** Jacob.

**MAN:** Your name will no longer be Jacob. It will be Israel because you have struggled with God and with men and have prevailed.

**JAKE:** Please tell me your name.

**MAN:** Why do you ask my name?

*(Man puts his hand on Jake)*

**MAN:** Be blessed, Israel.

*(Man exits)*

**JAKE:** This place should be named Peniel for I have seen God face to face, yet my life has been spared."

*(Jake limps out)*

**KB:** The sun shone on him as he passed by Penuel – limping because of his hip. From that day on, the Israelites didn't eat the thigh muscle that is at the hip socket: because he struck Jacob's hip socket at the thigh muscle.

In our story, we saw how Jacob met God's angels on his way to Canaan. Then Jacob sent a messenger to Esau to see if he was still angry with him. The messenger said that Esau was coming to meet him with four hundred men. Afraid that his brother Esau was going to come and attack him Jacob split his camp into two and sent a gift ahead of him. That night he sent his family and possession on the other side of the river and spent the night alone. But a man came and wrestled him until morning. Jacob would not let go until the man, who he said was God, blessed him.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

God gave Jacob a new name. Getting a new name in the Bible is associated with a new beginning. When you got a new name, things were about to change. Jesus gave his friend Simon the new name of Peter, which means rock.

In the book of Revelation God says to one of the churches, 'Let anyone who has ears to hear listen to what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone, and on the stone, a new name is inscribed that no one knows except the one who receives it.' Rev. 2:17

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

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**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 18

Review Night

### The Theo and Elly Show: Jeopardy

#### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

#### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verse for this week is, “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.” Hebrews 10:23.

We’ve learned that you need to hold fast to the confession of your hope without wavering. But the question is how can you do this? How can you hold fast and not waver? What if you do waver? What if you doubt? Or what if you let go of your confession in a moment of pressure.

Well, not to worry. God is the one who promised. God said that he would grant eternal life to all those who believe and that Jesus will return. God is always faithful, he never fails. And since God is always faithful, shouldn’t you strive to be too?

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let’s welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that

could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die. How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? He made them holy and happy.

**WORD:** That's right. Now it's time to welcome back our friends for a special episode of the...

**CAT:** Theo and Elly Gameshow!!

**SLIDE**

*(Word exits. Theo and Elly enter)*

**ELLY:** Welcome to the Theo and Elly show!

**THEO:** That's right. It's review night and we are bringing you a new game to help review what you've learned so far.

**ELLY:** Tonight's game is a special Theo and Elly version of...Jeopardy

**THEO:** Those of you that saw our show last year will remember this game.

**ELLY:** You'll take turns answering the questions. Whoever has the most points wins.

**THEO:** Awesome! But before we start, we need some team captains.

**ELLY:** Who should we choose?

**THEO:** On this side we have \_\_\_\_\_. And over here we have \_\_\_\_\_.

**ELLY:** Awesome. Looks like we are ready to begin.

**THEO:** Let the game begin!

*(Use the powerpoint game. Have questions and answers written out for puppeteers as they Ad Lib throughout the game.)*

Lesson 19

Genesis 33; 35

## The Name

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verse for this week is, “And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose,” Romans 8:28.

The verse starts off with, “And we know.” This is a very important phrase in this sentence. This means that what is to follow is not an opinion. It is not a suggestion. It is not a hope-so. What follows “and we know” is a fact. It is the truth. Also, since it is “and we know” if you don’t know what the rest of the sentence says, then you need to learn it and believe it.

The verse continues and says, “And we know that for those who love...” Love is a very important concept in the Bible. The Bible says to do everything in love, to pursue love, to walk in love, to love in faith, to put on love, to love one another. Love appears in every New Testament book and almost every Old Testament book. Who to love and what not to love is a teaching you find throughout the Bible.

So the verse says that we know that for those who love. But who are you to love? This verse says “God”! Yes, you are to love God. Elsewhere the Bible says to, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.” You are to love God with all that you have. Don’t hold back but put everything into loving God.

The verse says, “And we know that for those who love God.” Next time we will talk about what happens to those that love God.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die. How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so. In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? He made them holy and happy.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** What is a covenant? An agreement between two or more persons.

**WORD:** This year we have been talking all about the covenant that God made with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about "The Name".

*(Jake, Leah, and Rachel enter)*

Last time, we left Jacob waiting outside the land of Canaan for his brother Esau to come.

**KB:** Now Jacob looked up and saw his brother Esau coming toward him with four hundred men.

**JAKE:** I see Esau coming! Everyone split up! You go over there. And you go over there.

*(Esau enters from the back walking down the aisle. Jake bows down seven times. When Esau gets to the front, he runs and hugs Jake)*

**ESAU:** Who are these with you?

**JAKE:** The children God has graciously given your servant.

*(Rachel and Leah step forward and bow down)*

**ESAU:** What do you mean by this whole procession I met?

**JAKE:** To find favor with you, my lord.

**ESAU:** I have enough, my brother. Keep what you have.

**JAKE:** No, please! If I have found favor with you, take this gift from me. For indeed, I have seen your face, and it is like seeing God's face since you have accepted me. Please take my present that was brought to you, because God has been gracious to me and I have everything I need.

**ESAU:** No, I don't need it, brother. Keep it.

**JAKE:** I insist. You must take it. I won't take no for an answer.

**ESAU:** Very well. If it will make you happy. I will take your gift.

**JAKE:** Good. It is my gift to you.

**ESAU:** Let's move on, and I'll go ahead of you.

**JAKE:** My lord knows that the children are weak, and I have nursing flocks and herds. If they are driven hard for one day, the whole herd will die. Let my lord go ahead of his

servant. I will continue on slowly, at a pace suited to the livestock and the children, until I come to my lord in Seir.

**ESAU:** Let me leave some of my people with you.

**JAKE:** Why do that? Please indulge me, my lord.

**KB:** That day Esau started on his way back to Seir, but Jacob went to Succoth. He built a house for himself and shelters for his livestock; that is why the place was called Succoth which means stalls or huts.

*(Esau exits)*

**KB:** After Jacob came from Paddan-aram, he arrived safely at Shechem in the land of Canaan and camped in front of the city. He purchased a section of the field where he had pitched his tent from the sons of Hamor, Shechem's father, for a hundred pieces of silver. And he set up an altar there and called it El-Elohim-Israel which means God, the God of Israel.

One day God said to Jacob, "Get up! Go to Bethel and settle there. Build an altar to the God who appeared to you when you fled from your brother Esau."

**JAKE:** Yes Lord, I will go. Rachel, Leah, family, listen to me! Get rid of the foreign gods that are among you. Purify yourselves and change your clothes. We must get up and go to Bethel. I will build an altar there to the God who answered me in my day of distress. He has been with me everywhere I have gone.

*(Rachel and Leah hand Jake some items and then more are thrown over the top of the scenery which Jake picks up)*

**JAKE:** Look at all these foreign gods and earrings. I'll have to get rid of these so no one can bring them with us. I'll bury them over here by the oak tree.

*(Jake walks behind scenery with the items and then walks back out without them).*

**KB:** When they set out, a terror from God came over the cities around them, and they did not pursue Jacob's sons. So Jacob and all who were with him came to Luz (that is, Bethel) in the land of Canaan.

**JAKE:** We made it! No problems at all. Now it's time to build that altar to the Lord.

*(Jake builds an altar)*

**JAKE:** This place shall be called El-bethel, which means God, the House of God because it is here where God had revealed himself to me when I was fleeing my brother Esau.

**KB:** God appeared to Jacob again after he returned from Paddan-aram, and he blessed him. God said to him, "Your name is Jacob; you will no longer be named Jacob, but your name will be Israel." So he named him Israel. God also said to him, "I am God Almighty. Be fruitful and multiply. A nation, indeed an assembly of nations, will come from you, and kings will descend from you. I will give to you the land that I gave to Abraham and Isaac. And I will give the land to your future descendants."

**JAKE:** I will set a marker at this place. This place is definitely Bethel for it is here that God has spoken to me again.

*(Leah exits. Rachel goes into the tent)*

**KB:** They set out from Bethel. When they were some distance from Ephrath, Rachel began to give birth, and her labor was difficult. During her difficult labor, the midwife said to her, "Don't be afraid, for you have another son." With her last breath – for she was dying – she named him Ben-oni, which means "son of my sorrow".

*(Jake reaches into the tent and brings out a baby wrapped in a blanket.)*

**JAKE:** Your mother named you Ben-oni but I will name you Benjamin for you are the son of the Right Hand.

**KB:** So Rachel died and was buried on the way to Ephrath which is also called Bethlehem. Jacob came to his father Isaac at Mamre in Kiriath-arba where Abraham and Isaac had stayed. Isaac had live 180 years. He took his last breath and died, and was gathered to his people, old and full of days. His sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

*(Jake exits)*

**KB:** Tonight, we saw when Jacob finally met his brother after so many years. Esau did not kill his brother but welcomed Jacob back. God told Jacob to go back to Bethel and it was there that God confirmed that Jacob's name was to change to Israel. On their way, Rachel gave birth to Benjamin, but she died giving birth to him. Jacob continued his journey back to his family and was able to see his father before he died. Jacob and Esau buried their father Isaac who had lived to be 180 years old.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Benjamin means son of the right hand. To be at the right hand of someone was to be in a place of honor, power, and privilege. Not just anybody could be at the right hand of an important person or king. Hebrews 10:12 says that Jesus, after rising from the dead and going back to heaven sat down at the right hand of God. God the Father said to Jesus to sit at his right hand until he made all of Jesus' enemies a footstool (Hebrews 1:13).

Jesus is the true Right Hand.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 20

Genesis 37

## The Coat

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verse for this week is, “And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose,” Romans 8:28.

Last time we talked about the first part of this verse, “And we know that for those who love God...” The question we have to ask is: What are we to know about those who love God? This verse says that “for those who love God all things work together for good.”

First, this verse says that all things work together for good, *for those who love God*. This implies that the opposite is true. If you don't love God, then all things won't work together for your good. So this verse is a promise made specifically to people that love God. If you love God, then this is for you to know.

Second, it says that he works all things together *for good*. But what is good? Most of the time when we think of things that are good we think of things that are fun or make us happy. Good things are things that we personally like. But that's not what this verse is talking about. The good is about being more like Jesus. The good is what prepares us for heaven. The good is what God wants.

Finally, we should think about the phrase “all things”. Does God really, work out “all things” for the good who love him? Yes, he absolutely does. God can take the fun and happy things and use those for your good. He can add the times of loss and sadness for your good. He can use pain and suffering for your good. He can even use the bad things you do and turn them around and use them for your good.

So what do you need to do? Love God!

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die. How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so. In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? He made them holy and happy.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** What is a covenant? An agreement between two or more persons.

**WORD:** That's right! Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story, kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about "The Coat".

Last time we saw that Jacob had lost his wife Rachel in childbirth. The two sons that he had from Rachel were Joseph and Benjamin. In the next few stories, we will see how Jacob's sons Joseph and Benjamin had a huge impact on his life.

*(Jake enters, followed by Joe)*

**KB:** Now, Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan. At seventeen years of age, Joseph tended sheep with his brothers.

**JOE:** Hello father.

**JAKE:** Joseph, my boy, have you returned from working with your brothers?

**JOE:** Yes, I've been working with your sons from Bilhah and Zilpah. They are lazy and can't do anything right.

**JAKE:** Really? Well, I'm glad I have you to watch out for me. Come here, give your old Dad a hug.

**KB:** Now Jacob loved Joseph more than his other sons because Joseph was a son born to him in his old age.

**JAKE:** My boy I have a gift for you.

**JOE:** A gift for me? Really? What is it?

**JAKE:** Here. Take a look at this.

*(Jake brings out the coat of many colors and puts it on Joe)*

**JOE:** This is amazing. Thank you so much, father. I will wear it every day. You're the best Dad.

**JAKE:** Only the best for my boy.

*(Jake enters the tent, Joe walks to the side, Reuben, Simeon, and Judah enter)*

**JUDAH:** Hey, little Joey. What are you wearing?

**SIMEON:** Yeah, who did you steal that off of?

**JOE:** I didn't steal. Father gave it to me.

*(Joe walks to the other side of the stage)*

**JUDAH:** Reuben you're the oldest of the twelve, you should get that robe.

**SIMEON:** Yeah, that kid is a spoiled brat.

**REUBEN:** I am the firstborn. It wouldn't be so bad if he didn't rub it in our faces.

**JUDAH:** Run home to your mommy little Joey.

**SIMEON:** Oh yeah, you can't!

*(Simeon, Judah, and Reuben laugh at Joe)*

**KB:** One night, as Joseph slept, God gave him a special dream.

**JOE:** Brothers, listen to this dream I had: There we were, binding sheaves of grain in the field. Suddenly my sheaf stood up, and your sheaves gathered around it and bowed down to my sheaf."

**REUBEN:** Are you really going to reign over us?

**JUDAH:** Yeah, are you really going to rule us?

**SIMEON:** Get out of here, dreamer. Keep dreaming because that's closest you'll get to ruling over us!

*(Joe runs back over to the side again. Jake exits the tent and joins the others. Joe runs over to them)*

**JOE:** Look! I had another dream, and this time the sun, moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me.

**JAKE:** What kind of dream is this that you have had? Am I and your mother and your brothers really going to come and bow down to the ground before you? Hmm...very curious.

*(Judah, Simeon, and Reuben exit)*

**KB:** Some time had passed and Jacob's sons had taken the flocks to pasture at Shechem.

**JAKE:** Your brothers, you know, are pasturing the flocks at Shechem. Get ready. I'm sending you to them.

**JOE:** I'm ready.

**JAKE:** Go and see how your brothers and the flocks are doing and bring word back to me.

*(Jake enters the tent, Joe begins wandering around, Man enters)*

**MAN:** What are you looking for?

**JOE:** I'm looking for my brothers. Can you tell me where they are pasturing their flocks?

**MAN:** They've moved on from here. I heard them say, "Let's go to Dothan."

*(Man exits, Reuben, Simeon, Judah enter)*

**JUDAH:** Oh, look, here comes that dream expert!

**SIMEON:** So now, come on, let's kill him and throw him into one of the pits. We can say that a vicious animal ate him. Then we'll see what becomes of his dreams!

**REUBEN:** Let's not take his life. Don't shed blood. Throw him into this pit in the wilderness, but don't lay a hand on him.

**SIMEON:** Ok, Reuben, we won't kill him.

**JUDAH:** Promise.

**SIMEON:** Here he comes, grab him.

*(Simeon, Reuben, and Judah grab Joe, take off his coat, and throw him in the pit)*

**SIMEON:** That was fun. Let's eat.

**REUBEN:** I'll be back in a minute.

*(Reuben exits)*

**SIMEON:** Hey, Judah, look over there. Ishmaelite traders.

**JUDAH:** What do we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood? Come on, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites going down to Egypt and not lay a hand on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.

**SIMEON:** Agreed. Plus we make a profit.

*(Simeon and Judah grab Joe from the pit and lead him out. Reuben enters and looks in the pit).*

**REUBEN:** The boy is gone! What am I going to do? I'll take Joseph's coat here, dip it in some goat's blood and send it to father with this message: We found this. Examine it. Is it your son's robe or not?

*(Reuben leaves the robe and exits. Jake exits tent)*

**JAKE:** It is my son's robe! A vicious animal has devoured him. Joseph has been torn to pieces!" No! I will not be comforted! I will go down to Sheol to my son, mourning.

*(Jake exits weeping)*

**KB:** Tonight, we saw how Jacob favored his son Joseph and gave him a special coat, which made his other sons jealous. When Joseph had two dreams about his family bowing down to him, his brothers got even more angry with him. One day Jacob sent Joseph to spy on his brothers and to bring back a report. Joseph's brothers grabbed him and sold him into slavery. Reuben pretended that Joseph had been killed by wild animals. Jacob was devastated when Joseph's coat was delivered to him because he thought Joseph was dead.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

Many years after the story of Joseph and his brothers, another Joseph would go into Egypt because of someone's jealousy and hatred. This Joseph was the adopted father of Jesus who fled to Egypt because an angel told him that King Herod was about to search for Jesus to kill him. Joseph left everything, taking Jesus and his mother Mary

and fled to Egypt. Herod hated Jesus because the wise men told him that Jesus was the newborn King. But Joseph also had to go to Egypt to fulfill a prophecy of God which said: "Out of Egypt I called my Son." Matthew 2:15

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 21

Genesis 42

## The Selfish

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verse for this week is, “And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose,” Romans 8:28.

We’ve already talked about how we know that for those who love God all things work together for good. So, tonight, we will look at the last part of this verse which says, “For those who are called according to his purpose.” But who are those that are called?

The verses that follow this one tells us that those that are called are people that God chose to set his love on before he created the universe. Those that God set his love on, he decreed that they would become like Jesus. Those that God decreed would become like Jesus are the ones that he called. These people that God called are the declared forgiven of their sin because Jesus died and paid the penalty for their sin. And finally, these called people are given eternal life and will be in the glorious presence of God forever. To put it all together, those that love God and are called are Christians, believers in Jesus.

Now God didn’t just call his people for no reason. This verse said that God’s people were called according to his purpose. But what is his purpose? Why did God make people Christians anyway? It’s all for Jesus. The Bible says that the purpose for all this is so that Jesus might be the head of a great family. That’s why God calls people.

As you’ve been learning about the Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob you have seen this in action. God chose Abraham and his family and called them to his purpose and it all

works out for God's glory, the creation of a new family where Jesus is the head, and for Abraham, Isaac and Jacob's good.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die. How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so. In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? He made them holy and happy. What is a covenant? An agreement between two or more persons.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** What covenant did God make with Adam? The covenant of works.

**WORD:** That's right! God called Adam to obey him or Adam would die. Of course, you know what happened to Adam. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about “The Selfish”.

In my last story, I told you about Jacob’s son Joseph. Jacob spoiled Joseph and treated him better than his brothers. When Joseph had some dreams that he would rule over his family, his brothers got really jealous and sold him into slavery.

*(Joe enters)*

**KB:** Many years passed, and Joseph grew up. In those years, God led him through many trials, but he eventually became second to the ruler of Egypt, the Pharaoh. Now, God had given Pharaoh some dreams about seven years of plenty followed by seven years of famine where there would be no food. Joseph was put in charge of collecting food during the good years to store it up for when the famine came.

*(Joe walks off to the side. Reuben, Judah, and Simeon enter. Jake exits the tent).*

**KB:** Now the famine not only hit Egypt but the whole area, including the land of Canaan where Jacob was living.

**JAKE:** Why do you keep looking at each other? Good for nothin’s. Listen! I have heard there is grain in Egypt. Go down there and buy some for us so that we will live and not die.”

**REUBEN:** That’s a great idea, father. I’ll let my brothers know to prepare for the trip.

**JAKE:** Hmm...I don’t want Benjamin to go. Something might happen to him. Um, hey, Reuben. I need Benjamin to stay behind. You boys can handle bringing back enough food for all of us without him.

**REUBEN:** Sure. We can do that.

**JAKE:** Great! Off you go then.

*(Jake enters the tent, Reuben, Simeon and Judah grab their bags and start walking toward Joe)*

**SIMEON:** Wow, this line is really long.

**JUDAH:** The famine has spread all over. Things are only going to get worse if this famine doesn't let up.

**REUBEN:** Quiet you guys. The guy who is in charge is coming.

**JUDAH:** Dan! Gad! Stop goofing around over there! The ruler is coming!

**REUBEN:** Brothers, bow down!

*(Reuben, Judah, and Simeon bow down as Joe runs toward them then stops abruptly.)*

**JOE:** Hey guys its...oh, um. Where do you come from?

**REUBEN:** From the land of Canaan to buy food.

**JOE:** You are spies. You have come to see the weakness of the land.

**JUDAH:** No, my lord. Your servants have come to buy food.

**SIMEON:** We are all sons of one man. We are honest; your servants are not spies.

**JOE:** No! You have come to see the weakness of the land.

**REUBEN:** We, your servants, were twelve brothers, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan. The youngest is now with our father, and one is no longer living.

**JOE:** I have spoken: You are spies! This is how you will be tested: As surely as Pharaoh lives, you will not leave this place unless your youngest brother comes here. Send one from among you to get your brother. The rest of you will be imprisoned so that your words can be tested to see if they are true. If they are not, then as surely as Pharaoh lives, you are spies! Guards throw them in jail!

*(Guard enters and puts Reuben, Simeon, and Judah in jail.)*

**KB:** After the third day, Joseph went to talk to his brothers.

**JOE:** I fear God—do this and you will live. If you are honest, let one of you be confined to the guardhouse, while the rest of you go and take grain to relieve the hunger of your households. Bring your youngest brother to me so that your words can be confirmed; then you won't die."

**JUDAH:** What do you think guys?

**SIMEON:** Do we have a choice?

**JUDAH:** Obviously, we are being punished for what we did to our brother. We saw his deep distress when he pleaded with us, but we would not listen. That is why this trouble has come to us.

**REUBEN:** Didn't I tell you not to harm the boy? But you wouldn't listen. Now we must account for his blood!

*(Joe turns and begins crying.)*

**REUBEN:** Sir, sir! We agree to your terms.

**JOE:** Very well. Bind that one there, and let the rest go.

*(Guard ties up Simeon, Reuben and Judah walk off the stage and stand to the side. Joe and Guard walk away from Simeon.)*

**JOE:** I want you to fill their containers with grain, return each man's silver to his sack and give them provisions for their journey.

**GUARD:** Very well, my lord.

*(Joe and Guard exit. Judah and Reuben walk back to the middle)*

**JUDAH:** Time to feed the donkeys. What's this? My silver has been returned! It's here in my bag."

**REUBEN:** What is this that God has done to us?"

*(Jake exits tent)*

**JAKE:** Oh, good. You've made it back. We're starving!

**JUDAH:** The man who is the lord of the country spoke harshly to us and accused us of spying on the country. But we told him: We are honest and not spies. We were twelve brothers, sons of the same father. One is no longer living, and the youngest is now with our father in the land of Canaan.

**REUBEN:** The man who is the lord of the country said to us, 'This is how I will know if you are honest: Leave one brother with me, take food to relieve the hunger of your households, and go. Bring back your youngest brother to me, and I will know that you are not spies but honest men. I will then give your brother back to you, and you can trade in the country.

*(Reuben and Judah open their bags and show Jake the silver)*

**JAKE:** What? Yours is there too? Everyone's is!

**REUBEN:** We are dead for sure. Or, at least, Simeon is unless we go back with Benjamin. I'll go get him and we will leave right away. Maybe we can explain.

**JAKE:** It's me that you make childless. Joseph is gone, and Simeon is gone. Now you want to take Benjamin? Everything happens to me!

**REUBEN:** You can kill my two sons if I don't bring him back to you. Put him in my care, and I will return him to you.

**JAKE:** My son will not go down with you, for his brother is dead and he alone is left. If anything happens to him on your journey, you will bring my gray hairs down to Sheol in sorrow. He will not go.

*(Jake enters the tent. Reuben and Judah exit)*

**KB:** In this, we see how the great famine came and Jacob's family needed food. He sent his sons to Egypt to purchase food but, since he favored Benjamin, he made him stay behind. When Jacob's sons arrived in Egypt, Joseph recognized them and pretended not to know them. He accused them of being spies and they told him they were honest men. Joseph decided to teach them a lesson and had Simeon thrown in jail while the other brothers were to go back home and get Benjamin. When the brothers returned home they told Jacob what had happened and that they needed to take Benjamin back with them. Jacob was selfish and said no, that Benjamin would not go. Simeon would have to stay in jail.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Jacob's sons had almost killed Joseph but sold him into slavery instead. Many years later they still felt the guilt of their actions. They realized what they had done but still covered up their sin. If they would have confessed their sin to their father instead of hiding the truth for years, things would have gone differently for them. Instead, their sin had begun to destroy them.

The passage I read says that if we confess our sins, God is faithful and righteous to forgive us and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We can learn a lesson of what not to do from Jacob's sons. We need to confess when we've done wrong, and watch as God sets us free from the guilt and shame of what we have done.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 22

Genesis 43-46

## The Reunion

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast,” (Psalm 119:89-90)

This week we want to take a look at the first phrase, “Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.” To understand what this means, you have to go all the way back to the beginning of the Bible and the creation of the heavens and earth,

This verse is addressed to the Lord. This verse should remind you of Genesis 1:1 which starts off, “In the beginning, God created the heavens and earth.” It is God, the Lord, who created all that exists.

In Genesis chapter one, you also get the picture of how God created the universe. How did he create? He did it by speaking, or by his word. God spoke and the earth was formed. God spoke and it had an atmosphere. God spoke and the sun began to burn. God spoke and the moon formed and began to rotate around the earth. God spoke and the galaxies formed with all the billions of stars. God’s word brought about the universe.

Now, do you understand why the Bible says that God’s word is firmly fixed in the heavens? God speaks and things happen. Whatever his word is, it comes to pass. No one or nothing in all of creation can resist God’s word. The molecules of the universe respond to his word. People respond to his word. Even the devil must respond to his word. God’s word is truly fixed in heaven.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die. How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so. In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? He made them holy and happy. What is a covenant? An agreement between two or more persons.

And now for the question for this week.

### **SLIDE**

**CAT:** What covenant did God make with Adam? The covenant of works.

**WORD:** That's right! That's eleven questions down only 1 more to go.

Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

### **PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about "The Reunion".

*(Jake, Reuben, and Judah enter)*

Last time we talked about how there was a great famine in the land. Jacob had sent his sons to Egypt to purchase some food for his family so that they would not starve. When Jacob's sons had arrived they ran into Joseph, their brother, who was in charge of the food in Egypt. His brothers did not recognize him, but Joseph recognized his brothers. He pretended to not know them. He set up a way that would force them to bring his brother Benjamin to come and see him. He put Simeon in jail and said that he would only be released if Benjamin would come to Egypt. When the brothers told their father Jacob what had happened he refused to let Benjamin go to Egypt and so Simeon was left in jail.

Now the famine in the land was severe. When they had used up the grain they had brought back from Egypt, Jacob spoke to his sons.

**JAKE:** Go back and buy us a little food.

**JUDAH:** The man specifically warned us: 'You will not see me again unless your brother is with you.' If you will send our brother with us, we will go down and buy food for you. But if you will not send him, we will not go, for the man said to us, 'You will not see me again unless your brother is with you.'"

**JAKE:** Why have you caused me so much trouble? Why did you tell the man that you had another brother?"

**REUBEN:** The man kept asking about us and our family: 'Is your father still alive? Do you have another brother?' And we answered him accordingly. How could we know that he would say, 'Bring your brother here'?

**JUDAH:** Send the boy with me. We will be on our way so that we may live and not die—neither we, nor you, nor our dependents. I will be responsible for him. You can hold me personally accountable! If I do not bring him back to you and set him before you, I will be guilty before you forever. If we had not delayed, we could have come back twice by now.

**JAKE:** If it must be so, then do this: Put some of the best products of the land in your packs and take them down to the man as a gift—a little balsam and a little honey,

aromatic gum and resin, pistachios and almonds. Take twice as much silver with you. Return the silver that was returned to you in the top of your bags. Perhaps it was a mistake. Take your brother also, and go back at once to the man. May God Almighty cause the man to be merciful to you so that he will release your other brother and Benjamin to you. As for me, if I am deprived of my sons, then I am deprived.

*(Jake enters the tent. Reuben and Judah pick up their bags and walk. Ben, Joe, and Steward enter.)*

**JOE:** Take the men to my house. Slaughter an animal and prepare it, for they will eat with me at noon.

*(Joe walks over to the side of the stage. Steward leads Judah, Reuben, and Ben to Joe's house)*

**JUDAH:** We have been brought here because of the silver that was returned in our bags the first time. They intend to overpower us, seize us, make us slaves, and take our donkeys.

**REUBEN:** My lord, we really did come down here the first time only to buy food. When we came to the place where we lodged for the night and opened our bags of grain, each one's silver was at the top of his bag! It was the full amount of our silver, and we have brought it back with us. We have brought additional silver with us to buy food. We don't know who put our silver in the bags."

**STEWARD:** May you be well. Don't be afraid. Your God and the God of your father must have put treasure in your bags. I received your silver.

*(Judah, Reuben, and Ben get out their gift. Simeon runs in and greets them. Joe walks over to them and they bow.)*

**JOE:** Greetings. How is your elderly father that you told me about? Is he still alive?

**REUBEN:** Your servant our father is well. He is still alive.

**JOE:** Is this your youngest brother that you told me about? May God be gracious to you, my son."

*(Joe runs to the side crying, gathers himself and returns.)*

**JOE:** Serve the meal.

*(Steward serves them. Judah, Ben, Simeon and Reuben exit)*

**JOE:** Fill the men's bags with as much food as they can carry and put each one's silver at the top of his bag. Put my cup, the silver one, at the top of the youngest one's bag, along with the silver for his grain.

**STEWARD:** Yes, sir.

*(Steward runs out)*

**KB:** The steward did as he was told. When they had not gone far, Joseph sent the steward to chase them down. When the steward caught them he accused them of stealing the silver cup. The steward found the cup in Benjamin's bag.

*(Steward enters leading Judah, Ben, Simeon, and Reuben. They fall before Joe.)*

**JOE:** What is this you have done? Didn't you know that a man like me could uncover the truth by divination?

**JUDAH:** What can we say to my lord? How can we plead? How can we justify ourselves? God has exposed your servants' iniquity. We are now my lord's slaves—both we and the one in whose possession the cup was found.

**JOE:** I swear that I will not do this. The man in whose possession the cup was found will be my slave. The rest of you can go in peace to your father.

**JUDAH:** He is the only one of his mother's sons left, and his father loves him. If I come to your servant my father and the boy is not with us—his life is wrapped up with the boy's life—when he sees that the boy is not with us, he will die. Then your servants will have brought the gray hairs of your servant our father down to Sheol in sorrow.

**JOE:** Send everyone away from me!

*(Steward exits)*

**JOE:** I am Joseph! Is my father still living? Please, come near me. I am Joseph, your brother, the one you sold into Egypt. And now don't be grieved or angry with yourselves for selling me here, because God sent me ahead of you to preserve life. It was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, lord of his entire household, and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Return quickly to my father and say to him, 'This is what your son Joseph says: "God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me without delay.'

*(Judah, Ben, Simeon and Reuben exit and return leading Jake)*

**JAKE:** God spoke to me in a vision and said Jacob, Jacob! And I said, "Here I am." And he said, "I am God, the God of your father. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt, for I will make you into a great nation there. I will go down with you to Egypt, and I will also bring you back. Joseph will close your eyes when you die."

*(Joe runs and hugs Jake)*

**JAKE:** I'm ready to die now because I have seen your face and you are still alive!

**JOE:** I will go up and inform Pharaoh, telling him, 'My brothers and my father's family, who were in the land of Canaan, have come to me. The men are shepherds; they also raise livestock. They have brought their flocks and herds and all that they have.' When Pharaoh addresses you and asks, 'What is your occupation?' you are to say, 'Your servants, both we and our fathers, have raised livestock from our youth until now.' Then you will be allowed to settle in the land of Goshen since all shepherds are detestable to Egyptians.

**JAKE:** Very good, my boy. Very good.

**KB:** And so, Jacob moved his whole family to the land of Goshen in Egypt where they would live and grow into a great nation.

Tonight, we saw how Jacob's family had run out of food again and had to buy more. Jacob's sons convinced him that the only way to buy more food in Egypt was to bring Benjamin with them. Eventually, Jacob said that Benjamin could go. When they got their Joseph prepared a feast for them. But when he sent them home, he tricked them

by hiding his silver cup in Benjamin's bag. When they were confronted, Judah begged that Benjamin would be set free. Seeing this compassion and hearing how it would kill their father, Joseph finally revealed who he was to them. Jacob then sent them home to bring Jacob to live in Egypt.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

### **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

"The patriarchs became jealous of Joseph and sold him into Egypt, but God was with him 10 and rescued him out of all his troubles. He gave him favor and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh, king of Egypt, who appointed him ruler over Egypt and over his whole household. 11 Now a famine and great suffering came over all of Egypt and Canaan, and our ancestors could find no food. 12 When Jacob heard there was grain in Egypt, he sent our ancestors there the first time. 13 The second time, Joseph revealed himself to his brothers, and Joseph's family became known to Pharaoh. 14 Joseph invited his father Jacob and all his relatives, seventy-five people in all, 15 and Jacob went down to Egypt. Acts 7:9-15

This story is a true story, like all of the others we've talked about this year. The Jewish people knew this story well. The summary I just read was told, by memory, by Stephen, one of the leaders of the early church. He was killed for his faith in Jesus and for telling this story to prove that Jesus was the fulfillment of all the promises God made.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 23

Genesis 47-50

## The End

### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, “Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast,” (Psalm 119:89-90)

Last time we talked about how God’s word is firmly fixed in the heavens. God’s word always does what he wants it too. Since this is the case, then the next phrase in your verses make sense: “your faithfulness endures to all generations.”

The word faithfulness, when applied to God, means several different things. First, it means that God always speaks the truth. God never lies. Second, it means that God always does what he promises, and he never breaks a covenant. God never fails to do what he says he will do. Third, it means that God is loyal. When he sets his love on a person he never gives up. When we talk about the faithfulness of God, it is all three of those ideas rolled into the one word.

Now, God’s faithfulness is said to “endure for all generations.” What does that mean? To endure for all generations means that, starting with Adam and Eve, who are in the first generation, to their children, and their children, all the way up to our time, to you and then to your children and grandchildren, and great-grandchildren and beyond, God’s faithfulness continues. In any and all generations, God is faithful. God’s faithfulness goes on forever.

So, God never lies, he never fails to do what he says he will do, and he is loyal forever.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** (*Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits*)

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die. How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so. In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? He made them holy and happy. What is a covenant? An agreement between two or more persons. What covenant did God make with Adam? The covenant of works.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** What was Adam bound to do by the covenant of works? To obey God perfectly.

**WORD:** That's right! Unfortunately, Adam did not obey God perfectly. But that's a story for another time. Now it's time for our Bible story. And who do we need for story time?

**CAT:** It's KB!

*(KB enters)*

**PLAY KB'S SONG**

*(Word and Cat exit)*

**KB:** Thanks, guys! Are you ready for a new story kids? Tonight, we are going to talk about, "The End". That's right, tonight is our last story for Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Last time we left off with Jacob deciding to bring his whole family from Canaan into Egypt because of the famine. That's where we pick up our story tonight.

*(Pharaoh and Joe enter)*

**JOE:** My father and my brothers, with their flocks and herds and all that they own, have come from the land of Canaan and are now in the land of Goshen. Here are some of my brothers.

*(Judah and Reuben enter)*

**PHARAOH:** What is your occupation?

**REUBEN:** Your servants, both we and our fathers, are shepherds. We have come to stay in the land for a while because there is no grazing land for your servants' sheep since the famine in the land of Canaan has been severe. So now, please let your servants settle in the land of Goshen.

**PHARAOH:** Now that your father and brothers have come to you, the land of Egypt is open before you; settle your father and brothers in the best part of the land. They can live in the land of Goshen. If you know of any capable men among them, put them in charge of my livestock.

*(Jake enters)*

**JOE:** And here, is my father.

**JAKE:** May the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac, my father, bless you.

**PHARAOH:** How many years have you lived?

**JAKE:** My pilgrimage has lasted 130 years. My years have been few and hard, and they have not reached the years of my fathers during their pilgrimages.

**JOE:** Father, Pharaoh has granted you permission to live in the land of Goshen.

**JAKE:** May the Lord bless you.

*(Pharaoh exits. Joe leads Jake to the tent)*

**KB:** Then Joseph settled his father and brothers in the land of Egypt and gave them property in the best part of the land, the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had commanded.

And Joseph provided his father, his brothers, and all his father's family with food for their dependents.

Jacob settled in the land of Egypt, in the region of Goshen. They acquired property in it and became fruitful and very numerous. Now Jacob lived in the land of Egypt for 17 years, and his lifespan was 147 years. When the time approached for him to die, he called his son Joseph.

*(Jake lies down in bed.)*

**JAKE:** If I have found favor with you, put your hand under my thigh and promise me that you will deal with me in kindness and faithfulness. Do not bury me in Egypt. When I rest with my fathers, carry me away from Egypt and bury me in their burial place.

**JOE:** I will do what you have asked.

**JAKE:** Swear to me.

**JOE:** I swear.

*(Ephraim and Manasseh enter)*

**KB:** Some time after this, Joseph was told, "Your father is weaker." So he set out with his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim to see Jacob. When Jacob was told, "Your son Joseph has come to you," Israel summoned his strength and sat up in bed.

**JAKE:** God Almighty appeared to me at Luz in the land of Canaan and blessed me. He said to me, 'I will make you fruitful and numerous; I will make many nations come from you, and I will give this land as a permanent possession to your future descendants.' Your two sons born to you in the land of Egypt before I came to you in Egypt are now mine. Ephraim and Manasseh belong to me just as Reuben and Simeon do. Children born to you after them will be yours and will be recorded under the names of their brothers with regard to their inheritance. When I was returning from Paddan, to my sorrow Rachel died along the way, some distance from Ephrath in the land of Canaan. I buried her there along the way to Ephrath.

*(Jake turns and looks at Ephraim and Manasseh)*

**JAKE:** Who are these?

**JOE:** They are my sons God has given me here.

**JAKE:** Bring them to me and I will bless them.

**KB:** Now Jacob's eyesight was poor because of old age; he could hardly see. Joseph brought them to him, and he kissed and embraced them.

**JAKE:** I never expected to see your face again, but now God has even let me see your offspring.

**KB:** Then Joseph took them both—with his right hand Ephraim toward Jacob's left, and with his left hand Manasseh toward Jacob's right—and brought them to Jacob. But Jacob stretched out his right hand and put it on the head of Ephraim, the younger, and crossing his hands, put his left on Manasseh's head, although Manasseh was the firstborn.

**JAKE:** The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked, the God who has been my shepherd all my life to this day, the angel who has redeemed me from all harm—may he bless these boys. And may they be called by my name and the names of my fathers Abraham and Isaac, and may they grow to be numerous within the land.

**JOE:** Not that way, my father! This one is the firstborn. Put your right hand on his head.

**JAKE:** I know, my son, I know! He too will become a tribe, and he too will be great; nevertheless, his younger brother will be greater than he, and his offspring will become a populous nation. The nation Israel will invoke blessings by you, saying, 'May God make you like Ephraim and Manasseh.

Look, I am about to die, but God will be with you and will bring you back to the land of your fathers. Over and above what I am giving your brothers, I am giving you the one mountain slope that I took from the Amorites with my sword and bow.

*(Judah, Reuben, Simeon, and Ben enter)*

**JAKE:** Bring in all twelve of my sons. Gather around, and I will tell you what will happen to you in the days to come. Come together and listen, sons of Jacob; listen to your father Israel.

**KB:** Jacob blessed and prophesied about all twelve of his sons. He blessed them, and he blessed each one with a suitable blessing.

**JAKE:** I am about to be gathered to my people. Bury me with my fathers in the cave in the field of Ephron the Hethite. The cave is in the field of Machpelah near Mamre, in the land of Canaan. This is the field Abraham purchased from Ephron the Hethite as burial property. Abraham and his wife Sarah are buried there, Isaac and his wife Rebekah are buried there, and I buried Leah there. The field and the cave in it were purchased from the Hethites.

**KB:** When Jacob had finished giving charges to his sons, he drew his feet into the bed, took his last breath, and was gathered to his people.

*(Everyone except KB exits)*

**KB:** And that's the end. Tonight, we saw how Jacob moved his family into the land of Goshen in Egypt, where they would live for the next four hundred years until the time of Moses. Jacob gave blessings to each of his sons and took Joseph's sons and adopted them as his own. Finally, Jacob died, an old man of 147 years.

That's the end of the story of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, but really it is just the beginning because all of the promises God made to them were still to come.

Well, guys, that's all the time we have for now. See you later! Baaa-ye

*(KB exits)*

## **SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT**

When Jesus was about to be born, the angel Gabriel went to Mary, the mother of Jesus as said:

Now listen: You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. <sup>32</sup> He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High, and the

Lord God will give him the throne of his father David. <sup>33</sup>He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and his kingdom will have no end.”

Just like KB said, this is not the end of Jacob’s story but only the beginning. For the family of Jacob would continue on forever because Jesus would become the head of Jacob’s family and Jesus reign over his family will never end.

## **CLOSING**

### **BIBLE VERSE VIDEO**

*(KB enters)*

**KB:** Welcome back friends. It's time for KB's Kwiz.

### **SLIDE**

**KB:** Our two team captains for tonight, please step forward. Are you ready? Let's get ready to rumble!

### **QUESTION SLIDES**

And that's KB's Kwiz! Thanks for playing along. And now it's time for the special presentation of the Clubber of the Night!

### **CLUBBER OF THE NIGHT SLIDE (Take picture of child with giant trophy)**

**KB:** See you next week! Goodbaaa-ye!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS; CLOSING PRAYER; DISMISS**

Lesson 24

Review Night

### The Theo and Elly Show: KB's Super Kwiz

#### WELCOME; OPENING PRAYER

#### MUSIC

*(Word enters)*

**WORD:** Hello everyone! Your memory verses for this week are, "Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast," (Psalm 119:89-90)

Remember that God's word is firmly fixed, it's not going anywhere and what God says happens. God is also faithful. From the beginning with Adam and Eve and on through all eternity God will always be faithful to his people. He has created everything, by his word everything holds together and nothing or no person can change that.

I think it is about time for us to sing these verses. Everyone stand up, and here we go!

**BIBLE VERSE VIDEO** *(Music leader leads in hand motions and singing. After the song the music leader exits)*

**WORD:** Great job everyone. Now let's welcome our friend Cat. Come on out Cat.

**CAT:** Greetings. Are you ready to review the questions? Question: Can God do all things? Yes; God can do all his holy will. Where do you learn how to love and obey God? In the Bible alone. Who wrote the Bible? Holy men who were taught by the Holy Spirit. Who were our first parents? Adam and Eve. Of what were our first parents made? God made the body of Adam out of the ground and formed Eve from the body of Adam. What did God give Adam and Eve besides bodies? He gave them souls that could never die. Have you a soul as well as a body? Yes; I have a soul that can never die. How do you know that you have a soul? Because the Bible tells me so. In what condition did God make Adam and Eve? He made them holy and happy. What is a

covenant? An agreement between two or more persons. What covenant did God make with Adam? The covenant of works.

And now for the question for this week.

**SLIDE**

**CAT:** What was Adam bound to do by the covenant of works? To obey God perfectly.

**WORD:** That's right! Now it's time for our special review night friends...

**CAT:** It's the Theo and Elly Show!

*(Word exits. Theo and Elly enter)*

**ELLY:** Welcome to the Theo and Elly show!

**THEO:** That's right. It's review night and we are bringing you a new game to help review what you've learned all year long

**ELLY:** Tonight's game is...KB's Super Kwiz!!!

**THEO:** Those of you that saw our show last year will remember this game.

**ELLY:** You'll take turns answering the questions. Whoever has the most points wins.

**THEO:** Awesome! But where's KB? It's his quiz after all. Here he is.

**KB:** Hello friends.

**THEO:** Hey, KB. You can share my spot with me.

**ELLY:** Who should we choose to help lead tonight's game?

**THEO:** On this side we have \_\_\_\_\_. And over here was have \_\_\_\_\_.

**ELLY:** Awesome. Looks like we are ready to begin.

**THEO:** Let the game begin!

*(Use the powerpoint game. Have questions and answers written out for puppeteers as they Ad Lib throughout the game.)*