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

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Unit 2 • Session 2

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM

Genesis 12; 15; 17

DOES GOD KEEP HIS PROMISES?

YES, GOD ALWAYS KEEPS HIS PROMISES BECAUSE HE IS FAITHFUL.

The first time God spoke to Abram, He made a promise: "I will bless you and make you into a great nation, and the whole world will be blessed through you."

Abram and his wife Sarai (SEHR igh) had no children! God took Abram outside one night and said, "Look at the sky and count the stars, if you can."

There were too many stars to count! God said, "Your family will have as many people as there are stars in the sky." Abram believed God's promises, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith.

Then God reminded Abram of another promise: "I will give this land to your children."

To help Abram know that He would keep his word, God made a covenant to Abram. God asked Abram to bring a cow, a goat, a ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon. Abram cut the animals in half and laid them across from each other. The sun was setting, and Abram fell into a deep sleep.

Suddenly, a smoking pot and flaming rod appeared and passed between the animal pieces. These items represented God, and God used them to show Abram that He alone would keep His promises no matter what.

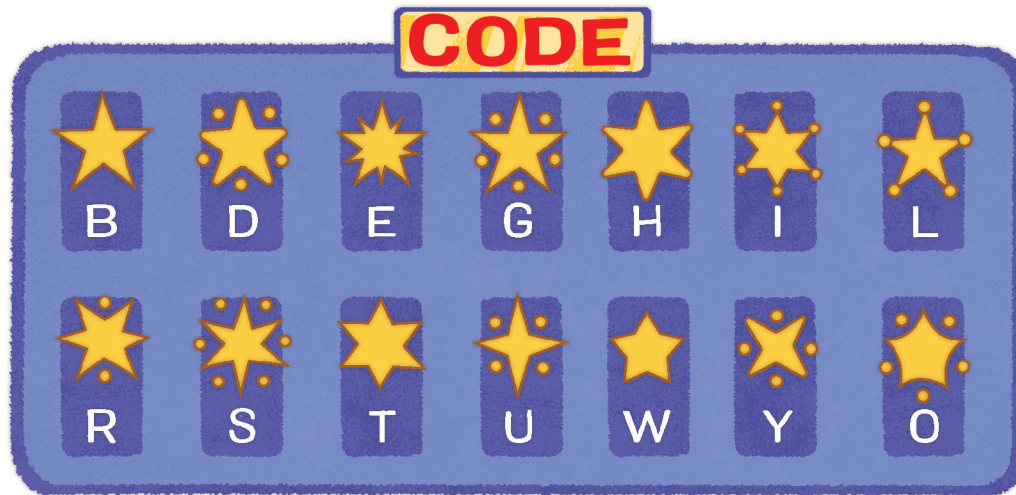
Then, God changed Abram's name. Instead of Abram, he would be Abraham, which means "father of many." God promised to make Abraham the father of many nations.

Christ Connection: God kept His promises to Abraham. Abraham became the father of the nation of Israel. Jesus came into the world as a descendant of Abraham to fulfill God's promise. All who place their faith in Jesus are part of God's family forever.

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR RESOURCES TO USE AT HOME!



What Did God Promise? | Use the star symbols to help you decode a promise God made to Abraham.



Promise Kept | Abraham became the father of the nation of Israel. Use the Bible references to fill in the names missing from each picture to discover the people in Abraham's family.

