

SMALL GROUP RESOURCE

Big idea: God promises to bless us.

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Genesis 12:1 – 13:4
Genesis 15:1 – 18:16
Genesis 21:1-22:19
Romans 4:1-25

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Think of one of your important relationships.
What are the moments which most significantly defined that relationship?

What did Abraham leave behind in Haran?
With whom was he most closely tied?

Consider your relationship with God.
What are the defining moments?
Did you have to leave anything behind? What and why?

What did Abraham build in Genesis 12:7-8? Why?
Do you have any spiritual markers?

What does Genesis 15:6 mean? (See Romans 4:1-25).
What implication does this have for you?

In Genesis 15:1-3, what does Abraham desire most?
By the time of Genesis 22, what is the most important relationship in Abraham's life?
Why has this change taken place?
What is your most important relationship?: Why?

Who is foreshadowed by Isaac in Genesis 22?
How does the foreshadowed person relate to the story of Abraham?

PRAYER FOCUS:

Praise God for His pursuit of a relationship with you.
Ask God to see the things you need to leave behind.
Ask for eyes to see where you need to go.
Praise God for His promise
of blessing the world through you

FAMILY RESOURCE

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READ GENESIS 12:1-3

What did God ask Abraham to do?
What did God promise Abraham?
How do you think Abraham felt?

Talk about your most tempting yet scary opportunities.
Why or why not did you take them?

READ GENESIS 13:14-17

How many times do you need to be reminded
of a promise given to you?
When & why do we need reminding?

Make a list of some of the promises God has given you
to put up on the refrigerator.

READ GENESIS 15:1-6

Have you ever been anxious for someone
to complete their promise?

Make plans to do something special as a family.
Specify a time and date and enjoy looking forward to it.

READ GENESIS 18:1-15

Why did Sarah laugh?
Was she happy?

Did she think God could do it?

How many different kinds of laughs can you make?
What do they mean?

READ GENESIS 21:1-3; 5-7

Abraham and Sarah spent years waiting for the family
that God had promised them.

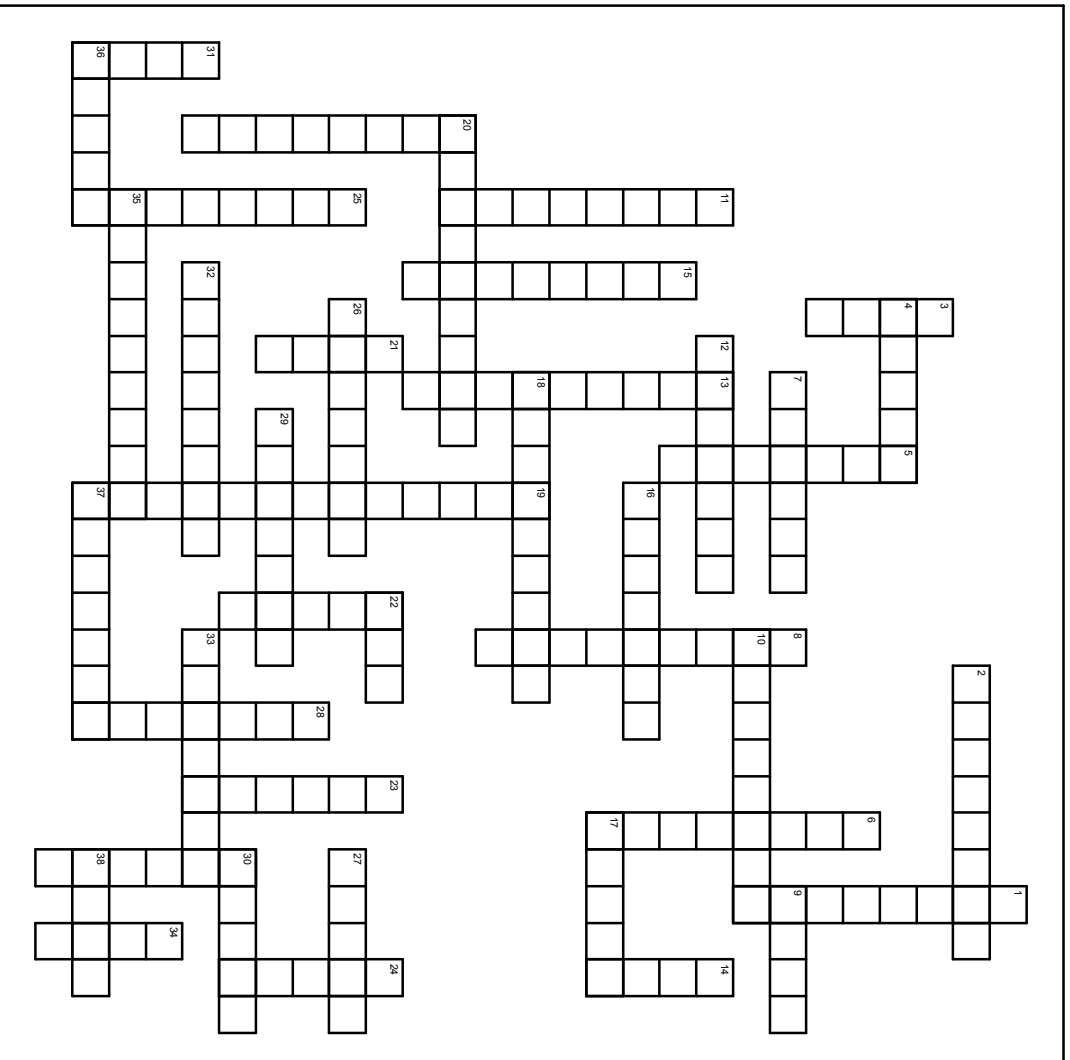
It was not always easy for them to keep believing
In God's promise.

Pray that you will continue to trust God.

MEMORY VERSE:

"Your _____ made me and _____ me;
give me understanding to _____ your _____."
Psalm 119:73

God Blesses Abraham



Across

2. joy (Genesis 18:12)
4. name of the child (Genesis 21:3)
7. top to bottom (Genesis 13:17)
9. you see with them (Genesis 13:14)
10. said he would do (Genesis 21:1)
12. always (Genesis 13:15)
16. opposite of inside (Genesis 15:5)
17. large and powerful (Genesis 12:2)
18. well rested and well fed (Genesis 18:5)
20. eaves-dropping (Genesis 18:10)
22. boy child (Genesis 15:4)
26. giggled (Genesis 18:12)
27. he was asked to leave (Genesis 12:1)
29. home land (Genesis 12:1)
30. measures (Genesis 18:6)
32. with child inside (Genesis 21:2)
33. side to side (Genesis 13:17)
35. without kids (Genesis 15:2)
36. # of Abraham's visitors (Genesis 18:2)
37. slave (Genesis 15:3)
38. God (Genesis 12:1)

Down

1. cooked (Genesis 18:8)
3. raise (Genesis 13:14)
5. numbered (Genesis 13:16)
6. benefit to others (Genesis 12:2)
8. set (Genesis 18:14)
11. kind and loving (Genesis 21:1)
13. children (Genesis 13:15)
14. beyond (Genesis 18:11)
15. had faith in (Genesis 15:6)
19. being Godly (Genesis 15:6)
20. rejoicing (Genesis 21:6)
21. clean (Genesis 18:4)
22. night lights (Genesis 15:5)
23. scared (Genesis 15:1)
24. Abraham's wife (Genesis 18:9)
25. opening (Genesis 18:1)
28. be given after death (Genesis 15:2)
30. protection (Genesis 15:1)
31. little bits of dirt (Genesis 13:16)
34. difficult (Genesis 18:14)

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Lord	Abram	country	great	blessing
lift	eyes	offspring	forever	dust
counted	length	breadth	afraid	shield
childless	inherit	servant	son	outside
stars	believed	righteousness	entrance	three
wash	refreshed	seahs	prepared	Sarah
listening	past	laughed	pleasure	hard
appointed	gracious	promised	pregnant	Isaac
laughter				

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| 1. RHSAA | ----- | 22. DPETIOPAN | ----- |
| 2. EPPARRED | ----- | 23. TASP | ----- |
| 3. REGAT | ----- | 24. EREEDSFRH | ----- |
| 4. APRGTNEN | ----- | 25. EHIDSL | ----- |
| 5. TSERNAV | ----- | 26. BDVEEILE | ----- |
| 6. ETAHBDR | ----- | 27. PISRMODE | ----- |
| 7. RFIPSGFNO | ----- | 28. REOFVRE | ----- |
| 8. THELGN | ----- | 29. ULTAHGER | ----- |
| 9. SISNBLGE | ----- | 30. SWHA | ----- |
| 10. SAHSE | ----- | 31. TGLENNsii | ----- |
| 11. ITERNIH | ----- | 32. ARIFDA | ----- |
| 12. UTOISED | ----- | 33. ELUAGHD | ----- |
| 13. SATSR | ----- | 34. CRYNOTU | ----- |
| 14. CIAAS | ----- | 35. CERNENTA | ----- |
| 15. YSEE | ----- | 36. HDRA | ----- |
| 16. LTIF | ----- | 37. STUD | ----- |
| 17. EHRET | ----- | 38. RDLO | ----- |
| 18. ARISUCOG | ----- | 39. SLEIDSLHC | ----- |
| 19. BRAMA | ----- | 40. ONS | ----- |
| 20. ESGNSRESHUOT | ----- | 41. NDECUOT | ----- |
| 21. UAEPSRLE | ----- | | |