



Life of Christ

Three visitors come Genesis 18:1-15

Younger Verse

Everyone who receives Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name. Acts 10:43

Older Verse

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Teachers: This new unit is designed to help your children understand some of the stories in the Old Testament. Each lesson will have both Old Testament and New Testament passages.

PLEASE remember to always include the New Testament verses—this helps each child see how God’s ultimate plan was fulfilled in Christ!

Welcome Time

What would you think if your grandmother told you that she was going to have a baby—you’d probably think she was crazy! Tell the kids that today we will talk about a miracle that happened, an 89 year old woman is told that she will have a baby!

Bible Story

*Please note: This portion of the lesson is given to help in teaching the lesson. Please read through the story and read it in the Bible. Do **NOT** read from this piece of paper. Instead, make a note sheet and place it next to the story in the Bible.*

**Make
sure the
kids
realize
you are
NOT
talking
about
Abraham
Lincoln!!**

Remember last week we learned that Abraham traveled and followed God wherever He told him to go.

God told Abraham that He would be the father of many people. Abraham knew that God kept His promises, but he also knew that he was very, very old.

One day, three men came to visit Abraham and his wife Sarah in the desert. Abraham ran to them and invited them to eat with them. He asked his servants to prepare some food for the visitors. One of the visitors was really God in disguise.

While they were talking, one of the men asked Abraham where his wife was. Abraham told him that she was in the tent (they lived in a tent). Then the man said, “I will come back in a year and your wife will have a son.”

Sarah was listening from inside the tent. She laughed to herself when she heard this because she was 89 years old! She thought to herself, “My husband and I are too old to have a baby.”

Then the man (God) said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah just laugh? Is anything too hard for God?”

**Lesson Goals: Tell how God kept His promise to Abraham
Explain what it means to believe & trust God
Understand what it means to be patient**

Sarah was afraid. She couldn't believe that this person heard her and knew her thoughts. So she lied and said that she didn't laugh. But the man insisted that she did laugh.

Then the men got up and left.

Abraham believed God and trusted that God would keep His promises. It took a long time for His promise to finally come. God had told Abraham years before that he would have a child. The promise did not come until Abraham was 100. We'll talk about that in 2 weeks. Abraham had to wait patiently for God's timing. Sometimes we may have to be patient and wait. But remember, when God promises you something, He will do it. God never breaks His promises.

Another promise God made to us was the way for us to get to Heaven. He promised us Jesus—He is our way to Heaven. If we believe in Jesus and trust Him in our hearts, we will live forever with God in Heaven. That's a great promise and a wonderful miracle!

Learning Activities

Use the activities that will help the kids learn the lesson.
Play a fun, patient game with them and see how they respond.

Memory Verse Activities

Say the verse together. Can anyone forgive our sins? (No) Only Jesus can forgive our sins (wrongs). He can forgive us because He died on the cross to pay the punishment for our wrongs. He did this for US! So, if we "receive" Him and believe in Him, we will be forgiven and go to Heaven one day.

Prayer Time

Do you know the prayer needs of each child? Do you visit them personally and share verses that will help them.? Do you show them how they can find things in the Bible to help them during the week?

Snack Time/CleanUp

Enjoy snacks with your kids.

Planning for Lesson 9
Sodom and Gomorrah
Genesis 19:1-20

Preschool Lesson
For
The Three Visitors

Sing “Father Abraham.”

God told Abraham that He would be the father of many people. Abraham knew that God kept His promises, but he also knew that he was very, very old.

One day, three men came to visit Abraham and his wife Sarah in the desert. (Count to three) Abraham ran to them and invited them to eat with them. (Open your arms like you are greeting someone)

He asked his servants to prepare some food for the visitors. (Whisper the next sentence so that the kids will really listen) One of the visitors was really God in disguise.

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Sarah was listening from inside the tent. She laughed to herself when she heard this because she was 89 years old! She thought to herself, “My husband and I are too old to have a baby.” (Laugh out loud)

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Pray and thank God for keeping His promises!

Hands-On Activities
For
The Three Visitors

Take time to visit your kids at their apartments or homes. Ask some of them if they will go visiting with you like the 3 visitors in the story. It is a great way for the kids to see you helping others and telling people about Jesus.

Abraham showed kindness and hospitality to the visitors. What would you do if you had a visitor come to your home? What would you cook for them?

If God came to visit you, what question would you ask Him?

Sarah lied to God. Can we ever fool God with a lie? (No) Talk about how we sometimes try to fool God or pretend that we have done nothing wrong. Talk about how God can clean all the wrongs from our life and make us clean on the inside.

Abraham was so in touch with God that he knew that one of the visitors was God. Are you in touch with God? Would you know it if God walked into the room? If God walked into the room, would you change what you were doing or saying? In reality, God is with us all the time and sees everything we are doing. He loves us and wants us to love Him and trust Him.

Dress in a disguise and tell the story. Have fun! Let the kids try on different costumes or disguises. Bring funny glasses with noses and moustaches to put on.
