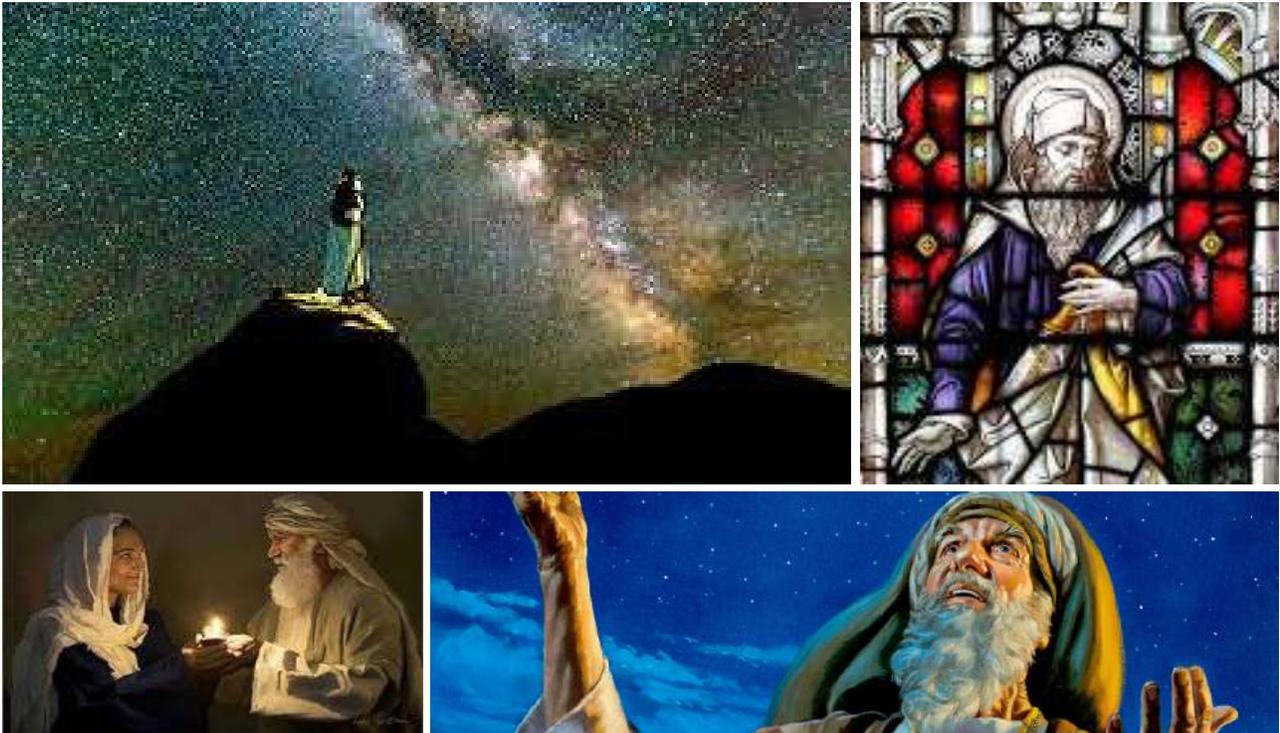


# FAMILY LESSON: ABRAHAM

## God's Covenant with a Tribe



## Lent 2021 - Lesson 3

***"The Lord carried out just what He had promised." ~ Genesis 21:2***

Find a special time each week during Lent for your family to learn about these important Biblical figures who have made covenants with God throughout the Old Testament. We will provide weekly lessons to accompany each covenant and the video series.

Prayer: Loving Father, we know your promises are good. Help us to have faith like Abraham and always know that you keep your promises. As you did with Abraham and Sarah, you touch our lives in extraordinary ways. Help us to recognize you in our daily lives and appreciate all the gifts you have given us. *Amen.*

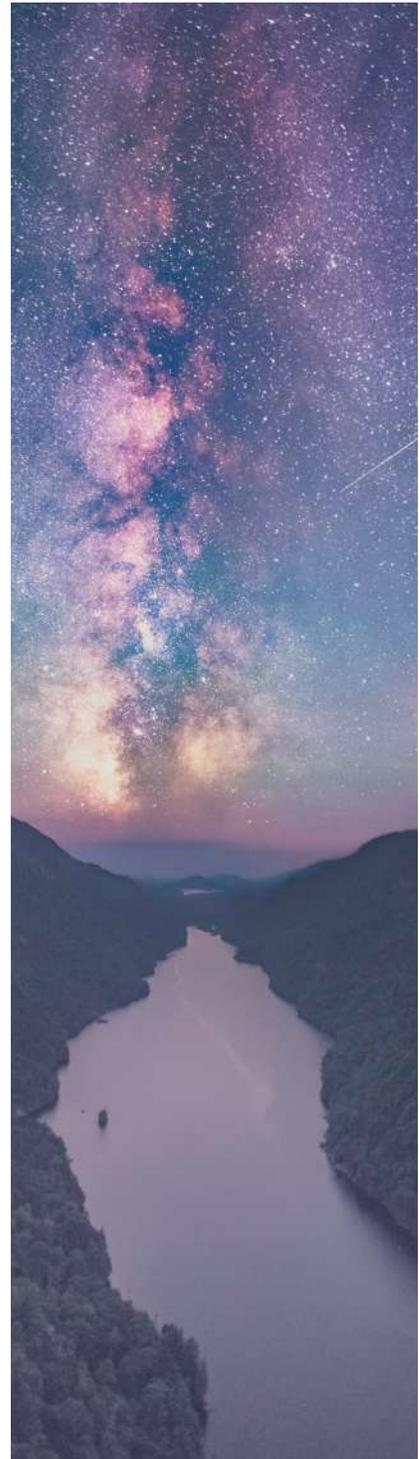
## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Abraham was a descendant of Noah, but unlike Noah, his tribe worshipped many gods. God came to Abraham and called him to move to a new land to fulfill His plan. Abraham, the father of God's Chosen People, willingly entered into a relationship with God and made a covenant with him. God promised Abraham that He would give him a new land, make his name great and provide a family so large that his descendants would be as many as the stars in the heavens.

The God in this story provides. In those days, worship and sacrifice was about you giving to the gods. This story is about our God giving to Abraham. It is about a God who does the giving. A God who does the providing and continues to do the providing for all of us today...we just need to trust Him.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS - YOUNGER STUDENTS

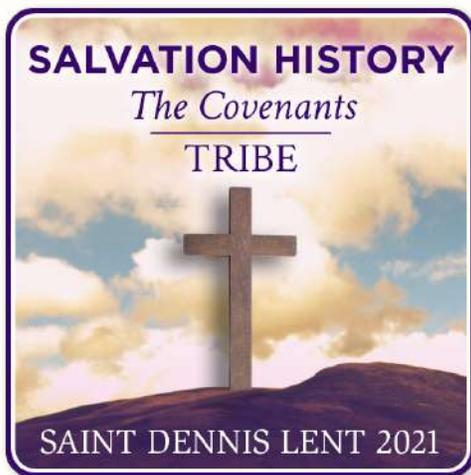
1. Why was Abraham surprised that God said his descendants would be as many as numbered the stars? How many stars do you think there are in the sky?
2. Abraham and Sarah had to leave all behind to follow God's word. Would you do that?
3. What is a promise? Have you ever made a promise to someone? Have you always kept it?
4. God made many promises to Abraham. What were some of those promises? What promises does He make to us?
5. Abraham and Sarah trusted God so much that they were willing to leave everything behind. Is it hard to trust God? Why or why not? What can we do to trust God more in our lives?



## Scripture Genesis 15:1-21

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS - OLDER STUDENTS

1. This is the third covenant we have studied during Lent. What do you notice about the covenants God is making? Is there a pattern with who He is making them with?
2. What message about trust do you think God is telling us from this story?
3. What did God tell Abraham to do? Why was this a step of faith and display of trust for Abraham?
4. What does God promise Abraham? What does He promise us today?
5. God was leading Abraham and Sarah. How do we know when God is leading us to something? Has God ever lead you to something?
6. Abraham and Sarah had to leave all behind to follow God's word. Would you be willing to do that?
7. Why was it so important for Abraham to hear that he would have descendants? Why did he think he would not have any?



### VIDEO LINKS

Click on text to link to video.

1. **VEGGIE TALES - ABE & THE AMAZING PROMISE**  
[\(PRESCHOOL - GRADE 5\)](#)
2. **SADDLEBACK KIDS - ABRAHAM**  
[\(PRESCHOOL - GRADE 5\)](#)
3. **THE BIBLE PROJECT - GENESIS 12-50**  
[\(GRADE 6 AND UP\)](#)

## FAMILY ACTIVITY

### Family History

God promised Abraham he would have descendants as numerous as the stars...and God truly fulfilled His promise. Our family history is incredibly important for us today, no matter what your family looks like. We all have a story.

Take some time with your children to delve into the many stories and people of your family. If appropriate, make a family tree and see how far back you can go. Pull out a box of old pictures you have and tell your children about the people in the photos. Are there other people in your lives that you consider family? How did you become close?

Who has God put in your lives to walk with you on your journey?

