

Time to Pack!

What do you think Abraham and Sarah packed for their long trip? What on a trip far away? Pack this suitcase with pictures of your favorit

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Imagine Abraham and Sarah's big move with your child as you read the story together. Tell your child about a time you started something new and had to trust God's promise to provide for you too!

Adventures with God

Based on Genesis 12:1-9

A long time ago—way before there were cars or computers or houses or apartments—an old man and an old woman named Abraham and Sarah lived in a village of tents.

One day, God came to tell Abraham two really important things.

The first thing God told Abraham was, "I want you to move far, far away.

Leave your country, leave your land, leave your relatives, and go to the land that I will show you."

Then God said, "Abraham, you and Sarah belong to me. I've chosen you to be my people. I'm going to bless you and your family in wonderful ways. You are going to have a big family—too many to count, even more than the stars in the sky! I'll use you to help the whole world know that I am God."

Abraham did what God asked him to do. He and Sarah and all of their helpers folded their tents, rolled up the blankets, gathered their animals, packed their clothes, and began the long trip to the place God chose for them. There were many hot and dusty days, but they trusted God to take care of them.



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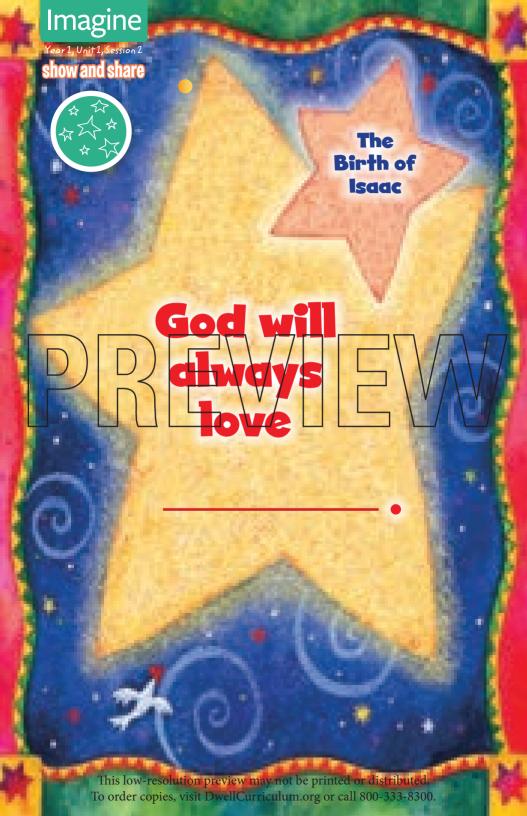
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Psalm 100: 1-3

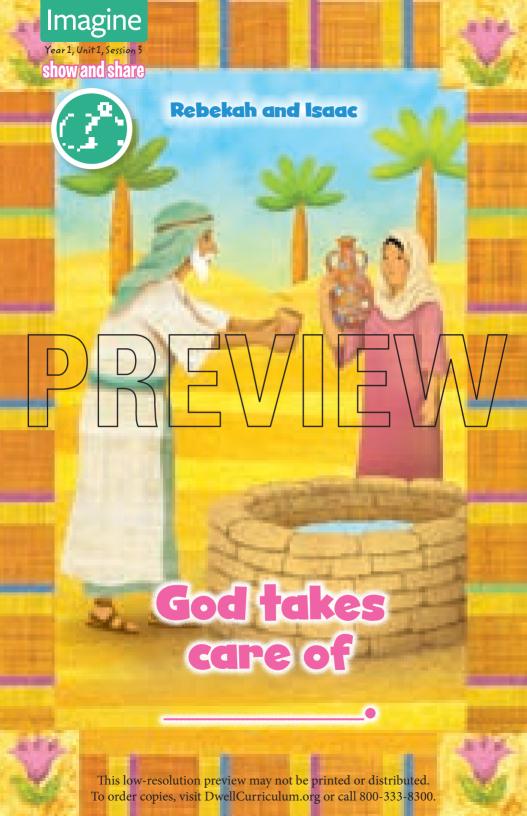
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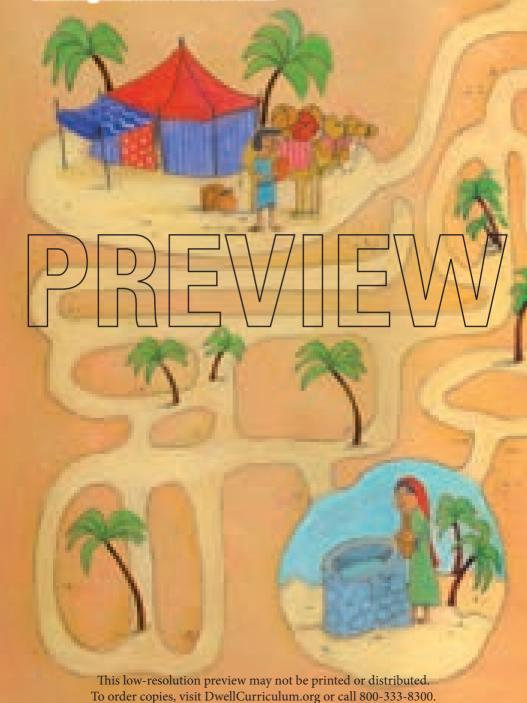


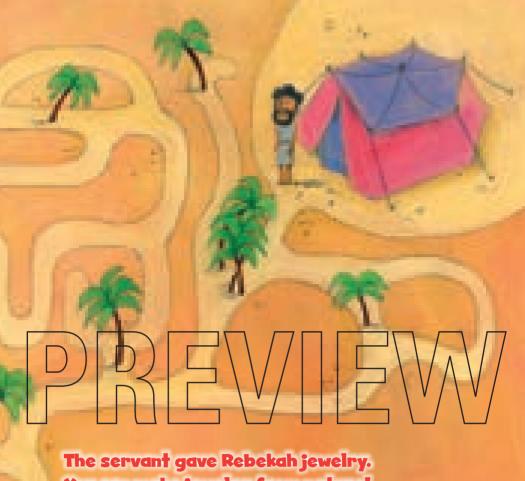




The Trip to Find a Wife

Help the servant find Rebekah. Then bring them to Rebekah's new home.





You can make jewelry from nature!

Here is what you need to make a nature bracelet:

- A strip of wide tape to fit around your wrist. (Masking, packing, or duct tape works well.)
- Leaves, seeds, flower petals, and anything else you can find outdoors.



Here is what you do:

- Wrap the masking tape around your wrist with the sticky side out.
- Stick the ends together.
- Stick on the things you find outdoors.

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Today we learned from Genesis 24 that God cared for Abraham's family—and that God cares for us too. Talk together about all the ways God cares for your family. To spend more time in this story together, invite your child to find today's story symbol in your God's Big Story cards.

Rebekah Belongs to God

Based on Genesis 24

The time had come for Isaac to find a wife—someone who loved God and belonged to God. So Abraham talked to his helper, Eliezer. "My son, Isaac, needs to marry someone who loves God and wants to belong to God. But I cannot find anyone like that in this land."

Eliezer told Abraham that he would go back to their old land and search for a wife for Isaac there. "God will take care of you. The Lord will help you choose a good wife for my son," Abraham promised Eliezer.

After many days, Elezer arrived in the land where Abraham used to live. He and his camels were tired and thirsty. Hiezer wondered how he would find the girl God wanted Isaac to marry. He decided to talk to God about it. "Please, dear God, help me find a wife for Isaac. Maybe it could work like this—I'll ask someone for a drink. If she says yes and then gives my thirsty camels water too, I'll know for sure that she is the right wife for Isaac.'

God sent Rebekah! When Rebekah filled her jar with water, Eliezer asked her for a drink. She gave Eliezer a drink—and then she poured water for his thirsty camels.

Eliezer gave Rebekah gifts of beautiful jewelry to thank her for her kindness. Rebekah brought Eliezer to her home. And Eliezer told everyone there why he had come and how God had answered his prayer at the well. Rebekah's family knew this was what God wanted. "She will go with you," they agreed.

"Yes, I will go," Rebekah said. She knew that she belonged to God. That meant God would go with her and care for her, even in a strange new land. That's exactly what happened. Rebekah and Isaac were married. They loved each other. And God loved and cared for them and their family. God always loves and cares for you and your family too!

Memory

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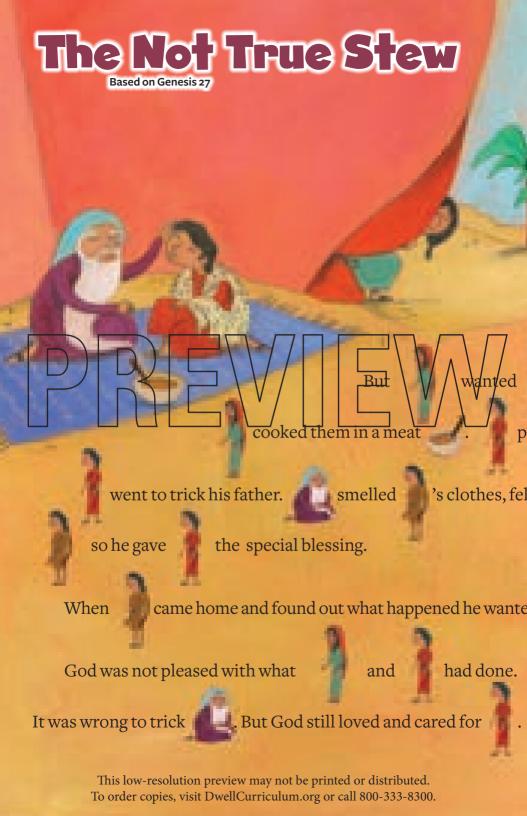
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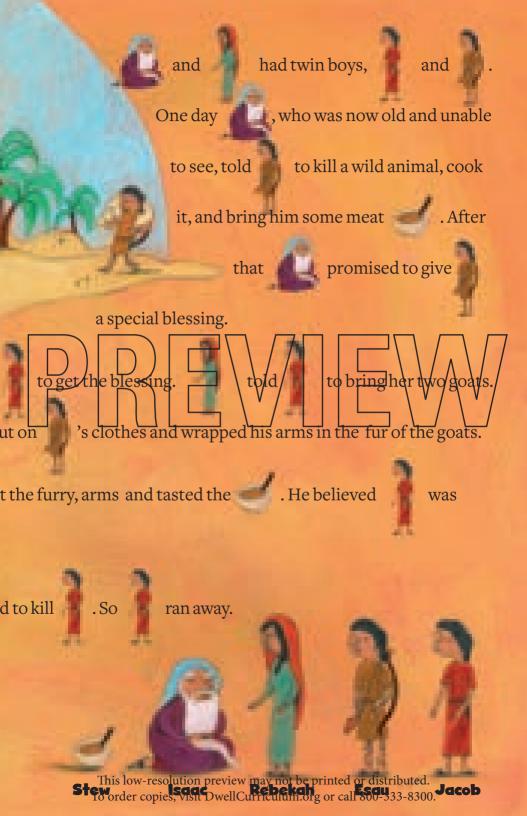
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Today we learned that like Jacob, we can be sure God loves us, even when we disobey. Before you read the story inside this paper together, ask your child to show and tell you about today's story symbol.

Jacob didn't trust and obey God. Learn the sign language words below to help you remember to trust and obey.



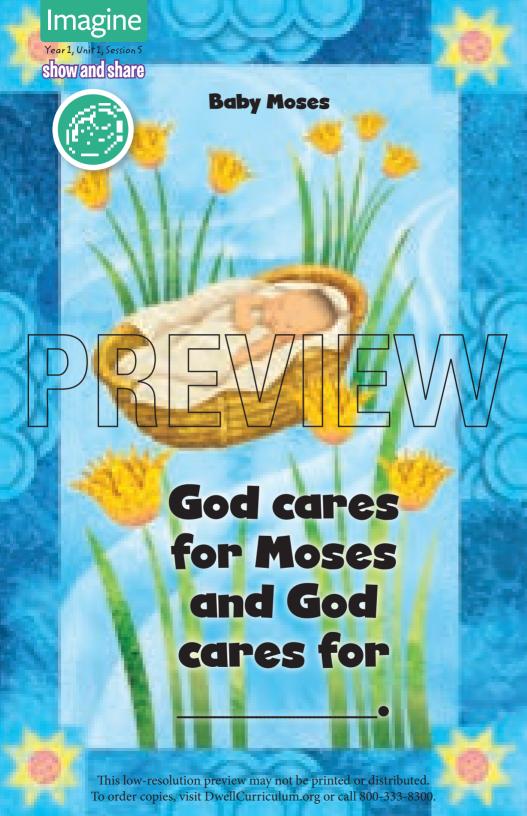
TRUST and OBEY





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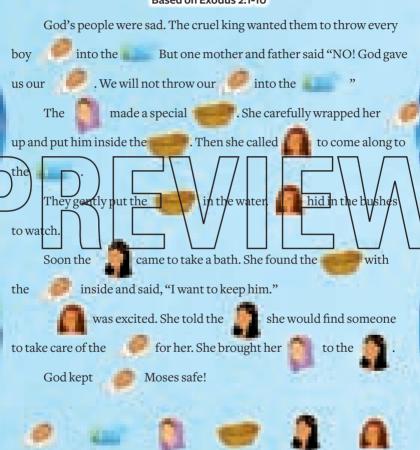




Today your child heard how God protected baby Moses. Read the story together and then tell about a time God kept you or your child safe too! For more ways to talk about this story, find today's symbol in your God's Big Story cards.

God Keeps Moses Safe

Based on Exodus 2:1-10





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Baby

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Basket



Moses and the Burning Bush

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Today your child learned how Moses reluctantly responded to God's call. Read the story together, then look at the inside pages as you talk about different ways to serve God. Also, ask your child to sing you the words of Psalm 100:1-3 using our Scripture song, "Shout for Joy". (Available on CD or download at www.dwellcurriculum.org.)

Moses and the Burning Bush

Based on Exodus 2:11-Exodus 4

Abraham said to his helper Eliezer, "Isaac needs to marry someone who loves God and wants to belong to God. But I cannot find anyone like that in this land."

Eliezer told Abraham that he would go back to their old land and search there. "The Lord will take care of you and help you choose a good wife for my son," promised Abraham.

When Eliezer finally arrived in the land where Abraham used to live, he wondered how he would find the girl God wanted Isaac to marry. He prayed, "Please, dear God, help me find a wife for Isaac. Maybe it could work like this—I'll ask someone for a drink.

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