PRESCHOOL

6. Son of Laughter

God's special promise to Abraham

Memory Verse

'No word from God will ever fail' Luke 1:37 NIV

An idea to help you remember:

- Put the verse to a rhythm to help you.

Story Time

Read 'Son of Laughter' (pages 56-61 in the Jesus Storybook Bible) or watch the video on our website.

Understanding the Story

Talk this through with your kids:

God made some big promises to Abraham. That he would be blessed, have a great name, and his family would become as many as the stars in the sky or sand on the shore - a new nation. But all that rested on something that seemed impossible, Abraham and his wife Sarah would need to have a baby. Sarah was childless. In Abraham's time, not having kids would have been something they were incredibly sad about. The promise from God gave them HOPE, but it was something they needed to trust God for, they couldn't do this without Him.

We too have a promise from God, that He rescues us from sin. That's something that we couldn't do without Him, and something we need to trust God for.

Questions to get you talking:

- Have you ever made anyone a promise?
- Do you think God keeps His promises?
- Do you think it's always easy to believe that what God says will actually happen?

Activities in your box

- Colouring Sheet You'll need the colouring sheet from your box.
- Glow Star stickers You'll need the glow stickers from your box. Put them on your child's ceiling or near their bed as a reminder of God's promises.
- **Star Craft** Use the dark blue paper and star stickers to make a picture as a reminder of the story and God's promise to Abraham.

Activities using things around the house:

- If there's a clear night this week go star gazing as a reminder of today's story.
- The promise of Isaac brought JOY. Think of something your kids really enjoy (a favourite meal, an outing to a favourite park, a show, a game they love to play with you) and promise it to them later that week. There is joy in looking forward to something.

ELEMENTARY (K-3)

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Digging a little deeper:

His promise to Abraham is one we see fulfilled in Jesus. Jesus is a direct descendant of Abraham, and through Jesus all the nations of earth are blessed.

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Digging a little deeper:

This story is another awesome example of God's grace. Though we sin and don't deserve His love, He continues to draw near, He continues to give hope, He continues to restore. His promise to Abraham is one we see fulfilled in Jesus. Jesus is a direct descendant of Abraham, and through Jesus all the nations of earth are blessed.

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