

Week 2—October 11th

God's Promise to Abraham

FAITH WORD: Faith

MEMORY VERSE: For we walk by faith and not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7

WONDER TIME:

As a family:

1. Head on over to www.newnanfumc.org/virtualkids for this week's Bible story and devotional.
2. Assemble the Wonder Cube and then allow each family member a chance to roll the cube and answer the questions. Do this as long as you would like.

WONDER ABOUT IT:

Faith means to believe in God's presence and hope. Faith is our faith word for this month. We have faith that God is with us, God brings us hope, and God keeps God's promises.

Wonder together:

- What do you think God's voice sounded like?
- Abraham asked God how he would have many descendants when he had no children. What would you ask God about?

ACTIVITIES:

Family: Star Gazing

Pick a night where you can go star gaze as a family. Take turns pointing out what you see and if you notice anything new, or something for the first time.

SAY: Sarah and Abraham had faith they would receive the promises God made to them. They probably wondered when they would receive the promises or why God was taking so long, but they had faith that God would keep the promises. Stars can remind us that God keeps promises and that we should have faith, like Abraham. As you look at the stars, remember God is faithful. The stars come out every night.

PRAY: God, you are faithful to me. Help me to always be faithful to you.

PreK and Kindergarten: Flashlight Stars

Supplies: flashlight, black paper, masking tape, scissors

Prepare Ahead: Use the lens of a flashlight to draw a circle on the black paper. Cut the circle a half inch larger than the drawn circle. Use the scissors to cut star shapes out of the paper circle and tape the paper circle around the lens of the flashlight.

Turn the lights off in the room or go to a dark area. Let the children take turns shining the flashlight to make star shapes on the ceiling.

SAY: There are many more stars in the sky than we could make with the flashlight. *WONDER: How many stars do you think are in the sky?*

1st and 2nd grade: Star Finder

Supplies: glow-in-the-dark stars

Prepare Ahead: Hide the stars in the room. (Count how many you hide.)

Tell the children you have stars hidden around the room.

Have the children find as many stars as they can.

Have the children hide the stars for you to find. Find the stars.

SAY: We have faith that stars will come out every night because we have faith in God. *WONDER: How do you feel when you see all the stars in the sky? How do you think Abraham felt when he saw all the stars?*

3rd-5th grade: Star Slime

Supplies: Star slime instructions and star confetti

Prepare Ahead: Gather all necessary supplies and ingredients to make your star slime

SAY: Let's make a fun reminder of the stars in today's Bible story.. Guide the children in following the directions to make the slime.

SPIRITUAL PRACTICES FOR THE WEEK:

Step outside on a starry night. Watch the stars twinkle, and look for shooting stars. Count as many stars as you can. Think about what Abraham must have thought as he tried to count the stars. What promises has God made to you? As you go through life this week, look for stars. When you see a star, pause and remind yourself that God is faithful and God keeps promises.