

Week 3—October 18th

Abraham's Visitors

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:

SAY: We have been talking about faith today because it is our faith word for this month. Sometimes it's hard to have faith.

Wonder together:

- What is your favorite part of the Bible story?
- Do you think it matters if we sometimes wonder how God will do something?

ACTIVITIES:

Family: HA-HA Game!

Sarah laughs when she hears the prediction that she and Abraham will have a son, because they are old.

Have everyone lie in a circle with each other's head's on each other's stomachs. On "go", the first person will shout "HA" and then it will be repeated one by one clockwise around the circle. (When you do this everyone's heads bounce up on the person's stomachs).

Then you shout two "HA HA's" and go around. Continue doing this and increase the number of "HA's!" See if you can get up to 10 HA HA's without everyone going bananas laughing!

PreK and Kindergarten: Patience Game

Supplies: rock or other desirable object

Explain to the children that being patient, or waiting for something, can be hard. Hand the rock to the child or another family member. Tell the child they must hold the rock until you tell them to pass it to another family member. Wait different amounts of time between passes.

WONDER: How hard was it to wait to pass the rock? How hard do you think it was for Abraham and Sarah to wait for a child?

1st and 2nd grade: Faith Rocks

Supplies: rock and markers

Give each child a rock. Have each child draw whatever he or she wants on the rock; these will become “faith rocks.”

SAY: Sometimes our faith is really strong, like this rock.

WONDER: What can we do when our faith is not that strong?

3rd-5th grade: I Believe... Discussion

Supplies: The Apostles Creed

Prepare Ahead: Spend some time thinking about what you believe and why.

As a family, say out loud to one another the Apostles Creed and talk about the different parts of our beliefs that the Creed talks about.

WONDER: Have you ever thought about what you believe and why? What in life do you find unbelievable? How have your beliefs changed from when you were little? Do you think what you believe will change more as you get older? Why or why not?

SPIRITUAL PRACTICES FOR THE WEEK:

Sarah laughs when she hears the prediction that she and Abraham will have a son, because they are old. The Lord’s response to this is, “Is anything too difficult for the Lord?” (verse 14).

This question is a key theme throughout the Book of Genesis, in which God is constantly promising and delivering what seems impossible to humans.

This week, spend some time doing something that makes you laugh. Watch your favorite funny movie or television show. Read a funny book or spend time with a friend or family member who makes you laugh. What makes you laugh? Are there situations in your entertainment or things your funny companion said that seem impossible? How do you respond to the idea that God can do the impossible?