Abraham’s Example

Many generations after Noah, a man named Abram lived in a city called Haran. Sarai was his wife. One day, God promised Abram that He would make a nation from his descendants. God told Abram to take his wife and everything he had and leave for a country that God would show him. Without asking any questions, at age 75, Abram obeyed God and left Haran. He took his nephew Lot with him.

Because of Abram’s obedience to God, he was very blessed. He was rich and had a lot of sheep and cattle. He continued to travel with Lot to the land that God had promised him. God blessed them so much that their herds became too big to be together. Lot decided to go a different way. He dwelt in the plains of Sodom and Gomorrah.

After Lot left for his land in Sodom and Gomorrah, God promised Abram that he would have all the land that he could see. God would make this possible through his seed (Abram’s descendants). Abram and
Sarai did not have any children yet. They had faith. This means they believed God would do what He says.

At age 99, Abram’s name was changed to Abraham. Abraham means “father of many nations.” His wife Sarai’s name was changed to Sarah, which means “princess.”

Shortly after, three beings appeared to Abraham. Two of them were angels. The other was the One who would later become Jesus Christ. They told Abraham that Sarah was going to have a son, and that they should name him Isaac. They also told Abraham that Sodom and Gomorrah were going to be destroyed. Abraham begged that the city would not be destroyed because his nephew Lot was there. God told Abraham He would not destroy a city if there were only 10 righteous people. But God could not find many righteous people in Sodom or Gomorrah. It was full of wickedness. Lot and his family had to flee the city. They were warned not to look back at the city as they were leaving. Lot’s wife disobeyed. She turned into a pillar of salt.

When Sarah was 90 years old, God kept His promise. She had a son named Issac. Abraham and Sarah were surprised that God would give them a child, because they were so old. But God always keeps His promises.
Abraham obeyed God his entire life. He did what God asked him to do and he believed God when a promise was made. Abraham was tested again in his faith and obedience. God told Abraham to give his only son as a burnt offering. This was a very difficult test. The next morning, Abraham arose with his son Isaac. They left for the mountains as God had commanded.

Abraham did exactly what God told him to do. He trusted in God because he knew God promised many generations to come from his seed. After a three-day journey, Abraham and Isaac came to where the sacrifice was going to be. Abraham tied up his son and placed him on the altar. Many thoughts must have gone through his mind. Yet he obeyed God. Just as Abraham was about to slay his son, he heard a voice commanding him to stop! God now knew Abraham would obey Him in everything. Isaac was released. A ram was spotted in the bushes. It was given as the offering instead.

Abraham was very blessed because of his obedience. He lived a long life. Sarah died at age 127. Abraham remarried and died at age 175. God kept his promises. Abraham’s descendents, as many as the sand of the sea, are still living today.
Abraham and Lot traveled to a promised land. They were very blessed and had many sheep and cattle.
Three beings meet and tell Abraham he will have a son, and that Sodom and Gomorrah are going to be destroyed.
Lot flees the wicked cities. His wife disobeys and turns into a pillar of salt.
Isaac is born to Abraham and Sarah.
God commands Abraham to offer Isaac as a burnt offering. He obeys God.
Once God knew Abraham feared Him and would obey, a ram was provided and Isaac was released.
DO YOU REMEMBER?

1. Abraham’s wife was named_____________.
2. Lot chose the land of ___________and___________.
3. Because Lot’s wife_________________, she was turned into a ___________of___________.
4. Abraham and Sarah had a son named___________.
5. Abraham obeyed God and offered_________as a burnt ____________, but a___________was provided to replace him.

Parents: Help your child complete the verse by filling in the blanks. Where there is a number under a letter, put that letter into the quote below with the matching number. When you have completed the verse, the quote will spell out what Abraham’s name means.

“Children, b your parents in all things:
for this is well p l g unto the L d”
(Colossians 3:20).

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BIBLE MEMORY: First 10 books of the Bible

1. Genesis
2. Exodus
3. Leviticus
4. Numbers
5. Deuteronomy
6. Joshua
7. Judges
8. Ruth
9. I Samuel
10. II Samuel

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Bible Jeopardy

Draw a line from the answer to the correct question.

Answers

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Questions

“What are Sodom and Gomorrah?”

“Who is Lot's wife?”

“What is a ram?”