

## INTRODUCTION: GOD'S PEOPLE (B.3.FALL)

LESSONS FO R CHILDREN AGES 6-8

GOALS FOR THE TRIMESTER:

Learn about the important facets of Abraham's life, including his faith and reputation as a friend of God. Based on the example of Abraham and Sarah's life, the children will learn to trust, believe and hope in the promises of God in their lives.

MESSAGE FOR THE TEACHER:

During this trimester, the children will learn about the different facets of Abraham's life. Abraham was known for his faith and trust in God. He was also called a "friend of God."

Each week the children will learn about Abraham and his family's travels. For that reason it's important to help them visualize the journey they took, with the help of a map. You can enlarge the map that is found on the following page or draw one on a big sheet of poster board. Or, you may want to use large sheets of paper and trace the map alongside one of the walls. Each week the idea is to point out the places that Abraham and his family traveled the name of the place as well as something that happened there.

In addition to the map, each session will have different activities and crafts that can be used to help the children understand the faith experience of Abraham. Remember to have everything prepped before the class, so there is no confusion when it comes time to teach the class.

Based on the lesson, the children will learn about the importance of trusting God in any and all experiences. Life is a faith adventure, but how important to remember that God is with us and takes care of us. Abraham is someone that we can learn from as he exhibited obedience to God, living out his faith in practical ways. Sometimes it may seem like we have to wait a long time before we see the promises of God realized in our lives, but we remember that God's promises are true and trustworthy.

Creativity and imagination are key as you prepare each week. Take enough time to really prepare each lesson, asking the Holy Spirit to give you wisdom and discernment as you plan. Pray that God would speak to the children through the Scriptures and that each child would encounter the living God.

## Adventures with GOD!

## **MAP**

