## **STJ KIDS**



Theme: Bible Characters - Abraham (BC03)

Aim: In today's session, we'll find out that God chose Abraham, and he asked Abraham to obey him. God gives Abraham promises to keep him going, and equip him for life as a adventurer!



START: Today we'll be finding out that Abraham was an adventurer; he had to listen to God and trust him. Abraham had to step out in faith, confident that God would direct him.

To start off with, grab a small bar of chocolate, and a knife and fork each. You'll need some something to make a blindfold with, and a die.

Take it in turns to throw the die - when you get a 6, put the blindfold on and let someone else in your family turn you around 3 times. Trust them to direct you towards the chocolate and tell you where to aim with the knife and fork so that you can get a piece of chocolate on to your fork and eat it... if its too easy, try wearing gloves as well!

OR Make a tent / den... we'll be finding out that Abraham lived in a tent - he used to carry it around with him a lot!

OR have fun with some play dough, perhaps you could make some star shapes, or a moon ... or make a huge play dough family!



INVESTIGATE: Grab a bible, find Genesis 12:1-5 and have a read.



Then have a watch a one of this video: <u>https://crossroadskidsclub.net/gods-story-abraham/</u>

What do you remember about the story? Some of the highlights you might have noticed:

- ☑ Abraham listened to God and followed what he said.
- God made some promises to Abraham, and we now know that God did keep those promises.
- God simply asked Abraham to obey what God was asking him to do.

Have a look back at the story, to think about how God spoke to Abraham - do you think it was through voices, other people, angels or maybe even all of these ways?

- □ Has God ever spoken to you? How have you hard from God?
- How did Abraham respond to God? What did he do? Have a think about what God asks us to do, and how we can respond?
- Do you think God keeps his promises to us?

Choose a MAKE:

Decorate some biscuits or fairy cakes - you could find yourself a digestive biscuit, some icing and silver balls, the silver balls are like stars - and remind us that God said to Abraham "Look at the sky. See the many stars. There are so many you cannot count them. Your family will be like that."

## OR

Create a star mobile - find some craft things to help - you might be able to get some cardboard, from an old box to cut out and decorate your stars, straws or a kitchen roll for the stars to hang from, string, sellotape, glue and some paint, crayons or tissue paper to cover your stars.

## OR

If you don't fancy making anything like this, you could design an obstacle course and your family can go on a journey together!

WORSHIP: Listen to 'Go Anywhere', By Rend Collective Kids Co or sing along if you already know the words. We sing to God that we will go anywhere with God, as long as we are with Him! <u>https://open.spotify.com/track/4q8mhtZDRtdJxbOBrcorAj?</u> <u>si=BiL7sDWSQEqb7rsVDdJ6mg</u>

Or you might like Father Abraham... check that out here: <u>https://</u>

www.youtube.com/watch?v=50\_J30x6E6s (parents might want headphones 🥩)

DO: "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

It was really difficult for Abraham to leave his home and travel to Canaan. Can you imagine how it feels to live in a different country, especially one where people might live in a very different way to how we do here.

Fold your paper in half - on one half think about something you need to do that needs you to be brave. Talk to your family about what you have drawn and pray that Jesus will help you to be courageous.

On the other half of your paper, draw a happy picture, where Jesus is standing next to you.

LATER: Spend time this week talking to God and enjoying a good relationship with Him. Share your ups and downs with Him. Ask Him before you do things, and listen to hear Him speak to you. He can speak through His word, through people, through pictures, TV, anything! Just be attentive. Share your experience with your family, whether or not you felt God speak to you.

Create a treasure hunt and send your family around your home. Perhaps you could use some STARburst or Milky Bar STARS as your treasure for each clue, to help you think about God's promise to Abraham as you search.





