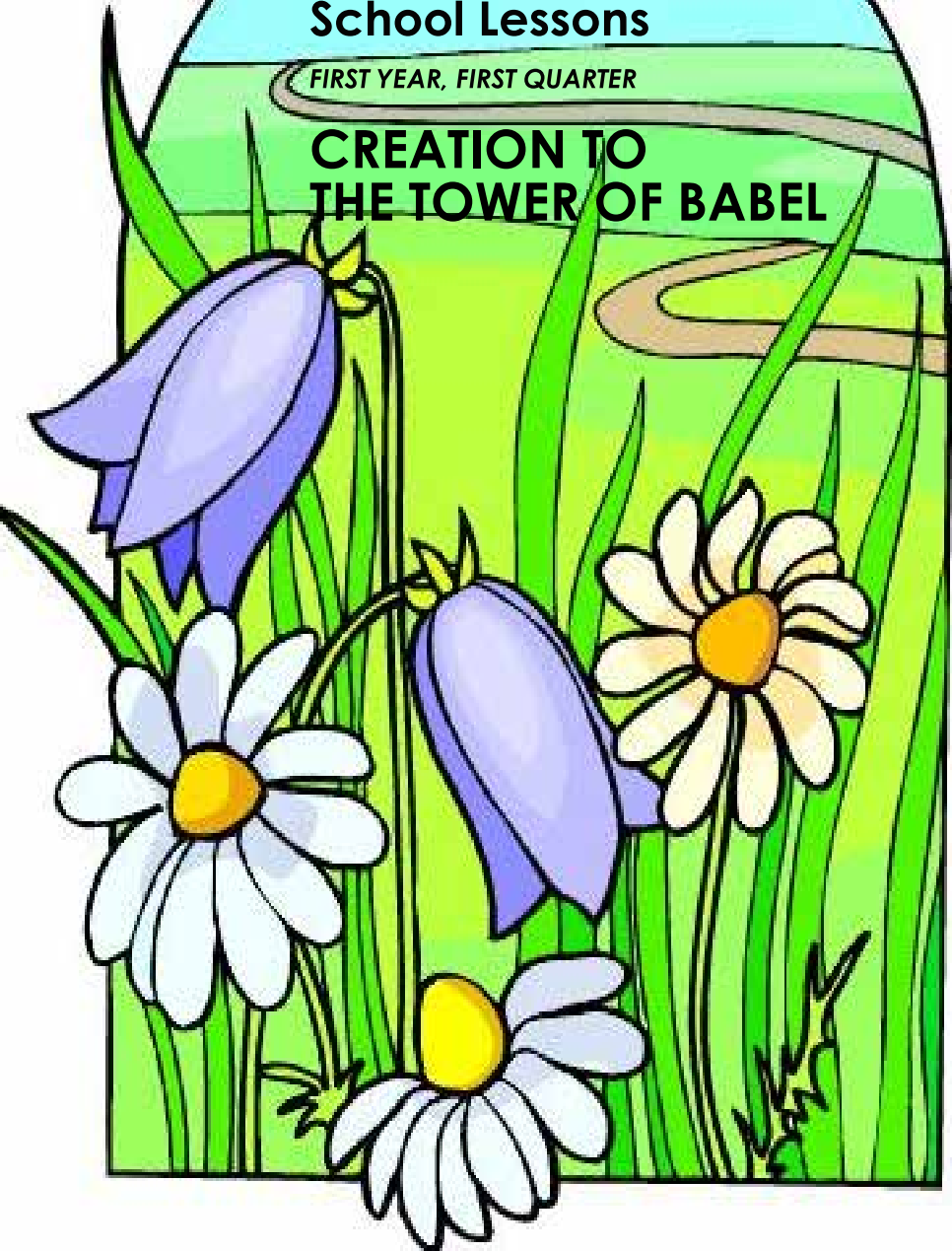


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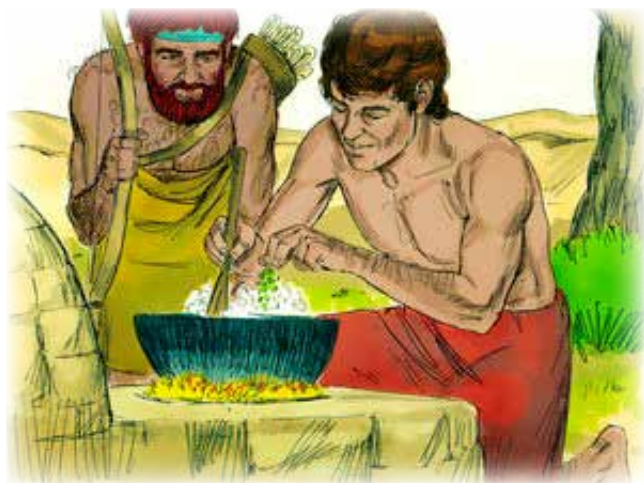
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## Lesson 1

# CALL OF ABRAM

**MEMORY VERSE: "BY FAITH ABRAHAM, WHEN HE WAS CALLED TO GO OUT INTO A PLACE WHICH HE SHOULD AFTER RECEIVE FOR AN INHERITANCE, OBEYED; AND HE WENT OUT, NOT KNOWING WHITHER HE WENT." HEBREWS 11:8.**

Abram's family lived near Ur of the Chaldees. It was an important city—a political and trade center. Here the people worshiped the moon god, Sin, for whom a beautiful temple was built. Many of Abram's descendants had turned to idol worship; but Abra had heard the wonderful stories of creation, the fall, the promised Saviour, and the flood. As he listened, he wanted to be a true child of God. God knew Abram's desire. He chose him to be the father of faith for His people who should later live on the earth.

1. Name Abram's father and brothers. Genesis 11:27.
2. Who called Abram, and what wonderful promise did He give him? Genesis 12:1-3.

God chose Abram, because he was the only one who loved and served Him. God knew that unless there was someone who would keep His law and teach it to others, the knowledge of Him would be lost. Then all men would be ruled by Satan and Jesus could never come to earth as the Saviour. Abram was given the promise that Jesus—the Son of God and the Messiah—would be born among his descendants.

3. Did Abram know to what land God was leading him? Therefore, what did he have to have? Hebrews 11:8.

- Abram remained in Haran for a while. Then God told him to continue his journey. His brother Nahor and his family stayed at Haran, but Lot went with Abram. What promise was made to Abram in Canaan, and what did he do? Genesis 12:7.


Wherever Abram pitched his tent, he built an altar and offered a sacrifice on it. This sacrifice represented Jesus, who was to come and give His life for the sins of men. Abram explained the meaning of this sacrifice to his household and to everyone who visited him in his tents.

- Why did Abram go to Egypt? Genesis 12:10.

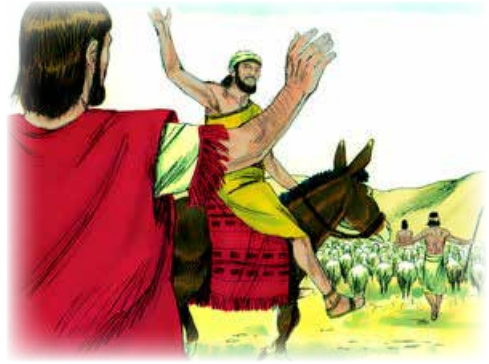
While in Egypt, Abram made a big mistake. Sarai, his wife, was very, very beautiful. Satan tempted Abram to fear that the Egyptians might kill him in order to keep her. The heathen people often did this. So Abram told the king of Egypt that Sarai was his sister. Abram deceived the king. (Sarai was the daughter of Abram's father, but of a different mother, so she was his half-sister, too.) But to deceive by covering up part of the truth is really the same as telling a lie.

- When the king took Sarai to his palace, what did God do? Genesis 12:17.

Abram knew that he had done wrong. He confessed his sin to God and prayed for God to forgive him. After the truth was revealed, the king asked Abram to leave Egypt. If Abram's faith had been true, he might have been able to stay and teach the people of Egypt to love God instead of being afraid of Him. Now he had to go away without doing the work he might have done for God.

 **ABRAM SAW SOME OF THESE MONUMENTS IN EGYPT.**  
**DO YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS? WRITE ITS NAME.**





## Lesson 2

### **ABRAM AND LOT**

**MEMORY VERSE:** “**BLESSED ARE THE PEACEMAKERS: FOR THEY SHALL BE CALLED THE CHILDREN OF GOD.**” **MATTHEW 5:9.**

1. Abram returned from Egypt very rich in cattle, silver, and gold. Lot was still with him and also had flocks and herds. They came to Bethel and pitched their tents by the altar they had left there. Soon there was not enough pasture for the flocks and herds of both. What trouble came between Abram and Lot because of this? Genesis 13:7.
2. What did Abram suggest to settle the problem? Genesis 13:9.

Abram was a peacemaker. He did not want the heathen to hear the men quarreling. This would not be a good example or lead them to believe in the true God. The world watches us to see if we show by our lives that we want to be like Jesus.

3. What did Lot choose? Genesis 13:11.

Lot should have asked Abram to choose first, because Abram was older. Instead, he selfishly chose what he thought was the best land. Are we like Lot sometimes?

4. Did Lot make a good choice? Genesis 13:12, 13.

Lot thought only about how rich he could become. The cities were a good place to sell his products. He did not think of the temptations that the cities might have and that they might lead him and his family away from God.

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5. God spoke to Abram the third time. What did He promise? Genesis 13:14, 15.
  
6. Trouble came to Lot after he moved to the plain of Sodom. What happened? Genesis 14:8, 11,12.

Far to the east of Canaan was a country called Elam. Here lived the rich and powerful King Chedorlaomer. He and three other kings and their armies marched to Canaan and conquered the four kings of Canaan. They took the riches of the cities and many people as prisoners. Lot and his family were among them. They marched north to a place called Dan.

7. A man came to Abram and told him what had happened. What did Abram do? Genesis 14:14-16.
  
8. When the king of Sodom heard the good news, he went out to meet Abram. He was glad to have the people back. He told Abram he could have all the treasure; all he wanted was the people. Did Abram accept this offer? What was his answer? Genesis 14:22-24.

Abram did not want the heathen to think that he had done this kindness for the sake of riches. God had given him the victory, and he gave God the glory.

9. Abram did not forget his duty to God. What did he give Him? Genesis 14:20.
  
10. What promise does God make to those who pay an honest tithe? Malachi 3:10.



## Lesson 3



# GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAM

**MEMORY VERSE:** "FOR THE PROMISE, THAT HE SHOULD BE THE HEIR OF THE WORLD, WAS NOT TO ABRAM, OR TO HIS SEED, THROUGH THE LAW, BUT THROUGH THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF FAITH." ROMANS 4:13.

1. After the war with the kings, Abram thought of the many terrible things he had seen in the war. Satan tempted him to think that maybe another king from Elam would come and capture him. He wondered how God's promise that his seed should have the land could then be fulfilled. God does not like to have His children worry. What did He say to Abram? Genesis 15:1.
2. Abram had no son, so he asked God if he should adopt his servant Eliezar as his son. God answered that he would have a son of his own as his heir. To help him understand, God told him to go outside. What did God say to him? What did Abram think about this? Genesis 15:5, 6.

3. Fill in the missing words (A=1, B=2, etc.) from Genesis 15:13, 14, 18; Hebrews 11:10.

“Know of a surety that thy \_\_\_\_\_ shall be a

\_\_\_\_\_ in a land that is not

\_\_\_\_\_, and shall \_\_\_\_\_ them: and

they shall \_\_\_\_\_ them four hundred years; And

also that \_\_\_\_\_, whom they shall serve, will I

\_\_\_\_\_ : and afterward shall they come out with

\_\_\_\_\_ substance.” “In the same day the Lord

made a \_\_\_\_\_ with Abram, saying,

Unto thy seed have I given this \_\_\_\_\_, from the

river of \_\_\_\_\_ unto the great river, the river

\_\_\_\_\_.”

“For he looked for a \_\_\_\_\_ which hath foundations,

whose builder and maker is \_\_\_\_\_.”

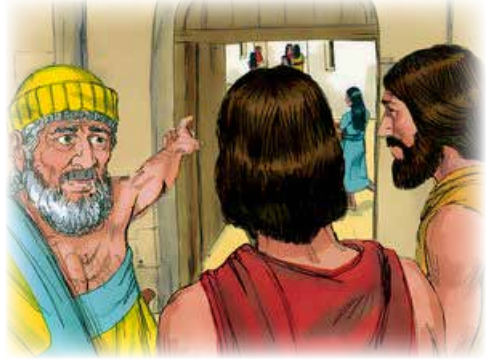
4. How much land was Abram's seed to have? Find it on a Bible history map. Genesis 15:18.

God tested Abram and Sarai's faith. Sarai did not believe that she would ever have a child. She told Abram to take her maid, Hagar, as a second wife. Many men in that day had more than one wife, so Abram agreed. What an unhappy home it became! If Abram talked to Sarai, Hagar was jealous. If he talked to Hagar, Sarai was sorrowful. Hagar became proud and boastful. One day Sarai dealt harshly with her, and Hagar fled into the wilderness. Here an angel of the Lord came to her and told her to return home. Hagar had not called on God, but He knew of her sorrow and sent an angel to reprove her.

5. What was to be the name of the child born to Abram by Hagar? What type of person would he be? Genesis 16:11, 12.
  
6. How old was Abram when this son was born? Genesis 16:16.
  
6. But God let Abram and Sarai wait almost 15 years longer for a son. He did this to test their faith in His promise. When Abram was almost 100 years old and Sarai was almost 90, what did God say to him? Genesis 17:1, 2.

Jesus wants us to be perfect, as He is. We wonder how we can ever be perfect when we see ourselves as we really are—selfish and sinful. When we make mistakes, Satan tries to discourage us, just as he did Abram. It is very wonderful that God sees everyone's heart and knows when we try to serve Him and put away our sins. When we repent and tell Him that we are sorry for our sins, God looks at the perfect life of Jesus instead of at our sinful lives. Then in His sight we are perfect.

7. What new names did God give to Abram and Sarai? Genesis 17:5, 15.
  
8. What very special promise did God give to her, even though she was way too old to have a child? Genesis 17:16.



## Lesson 4

# SODOM AND GOMORRAH

**MEMORY VERSE: "BE NOT FORGETFUL TO ENTERTAIN STRANGERS: FOR THEREBY SOME HAVE ENTERTAINED ANGELS UNAWARES." HEBREWS 13:2.**

1. One hot summer day, as Abraham was sitting in his tent door, he saw three travelers coming toward him. He hurried to meet them. What did he urge them to do? Genesis 18:3-5.
2. Abraham gladly entertained the tired travelers. As they sat resting under the tree, they asked about Sarah and said she would have a son. Sarah heard what they said, and in her heart she laughed. What did the Stranger ask? Genesis 18:13, 14.

Sarah denied laughing, but the Stranger said, "No, you did laugh." Then Sarah knew He could read her thoughts.

When the strangers rose to leave, Abraham went with them for a short distance to show them the way. Unknown to Abraham, Jesus and His angels were on the way to destroy Sodom for its wickedness. As the two angels went on ahead, the Lord told Abraham of their mission. Right away Abraham thought of Lot and his family and tried to save them.

3. For how many's sake did Abraham plead to the Lord not to destroy the cities? Genesis 18:24, 28, 32.

Abraham wanted the sinners in Sodom to be saved. We should hate sin but have love and pity for sinners. All around us are people who will be lost. Are we doing all we can to save them? We need to pray for them.

4. Fill in the missing words (A=1, B=2, etc.):

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among the wicked people of Sodom.

5. Whom did Lot entertain? Genesis 19:1.

Lot did not know that the men were angels. Like Abraham, he was kind to strangers. God remembers every little act of kindness we do to anyone who needs our help, just as if we had done it to an angel or Jesus Himself.

6. When invited, the strangers at first refused but later accepted his offer. After supper they heard a great noise outside; people were pounding on the door. Lot went out to quiet them, but they grew angrier. What did the angels do? Genesis 19:10, 11.

The angels now told Lot of their mission and promised to protect him and his family if they would flee from the wicked city. In the middle of the night, Lot went and warned his children; but sadly they only laughed at what they called his foolish fears. It was very hard for Lot to leave all his riches.

7. While he hesitated, what did the angels do? What very important instructions did they give Lot and his family? Genesis 19:16, 17.

8. What happened to Lot's wife? Genesis 19:26.

Soon the earth will be destroyed by fire. God is now calling His children to "come out of her. My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins." "Remember Lot's wife." Are we also hesitating, as did Lot, because we do not wish to give up some pleasure or sin? Lot's wife was lost, because of Lot's hesitation and weak faith. Will some of our friends be lost because of our bad example? Jesus will take no one to heaven who would rather stay here.



## Lesson 5



# ABRAHAM'S SACRIFICE

**MEMORY VERSE: "BY FAITH ABRAHAM, WHEN HE WAS TRIED, OFFERED UP ISAAC; AND HE THAT HAD RECEIVED THE PROMISES OFFERED UP HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON." HEBREWS 11:17.**

Abraham and Sarah rejoiced when their son Isaac was born. When he was weaned, they prepared a feast and invited their friends to rejoice with them. Two people who were present were unhappy—Hagar and Ishmael. They were jealous and hated Isaac, because he was to receive the promised blessing. They openly mocked Isaac. Sarah told Abraham he must send them away. Abraham was sad about this.

1. What did God tell Abraham to do with Hagar and Ishmael? Genesis 21:12-14.
2. When the water was gone and it seemed as if Ishmael would die of thirst, how did God save his life? Genesis 21:16-20.
3. When Isaac was big and strong, what did the Lord ask Abraham to do one night, and where was he to go? Genesis 22:1, 2.

Abraham was startled! What could God mean by this command? If Abraham was to be the father of God's people, his faith must be perfect. This was the hardest test ever given to any man. Isaac was the sunshine of his home and the comfort to his father. Satan came to tempt Abraham. "Did not God command, 'Thou shalt not kill'?" Abraham went outside to look at the stars and thought of God's promise; his heart was filled with doubt and sorrow. He bowed and prayed and asked for an answer, but angels did not come.

4. What did Abraham do? Genesis 22:3.

Abraham returned to the tent. No, he could not tell Sarah, for she might try to stop him from taking Isaac. He awoke Isaac and told him of God's command to offer a sacrifice on a distant mountain. Side by side they walked quietly. At night, while the others slept, Abraham prayed. Satan was near to whisper doubt and unbelief, but Abraham would not listen to him. On the third day, they came to Mount Moriah. Abraham did not want anyone but God to see him tell Isaac good-bye, so he told the servants to stay behind.

5. What did Isaac ask, and what did Abraham answer as they climbed up the mountain? Genesis 22:7, 8.

At last they reached the top, built the altar, and laid the wood on it. Now, in a trembling voice, Abraham told Isaac what had had commanded him to do. He encouraged him, telling him of God's promise that the Redeemer of the world would be one of Abraham's descendants. God's promise could not fail. If God wanted him to die, He could raise him from the dead. Isaac could have run away, but he felt it an honor to give his life as an offering to God. He encouraged his father.


6. The last tears were shed, and the last embrace was given. Isaac was bound and laid on the altar. Did Abraham sacrifice his son? What happened? Genesis 22:9-13.

7. What was promised to Abraham? Genesis 22:15-18.

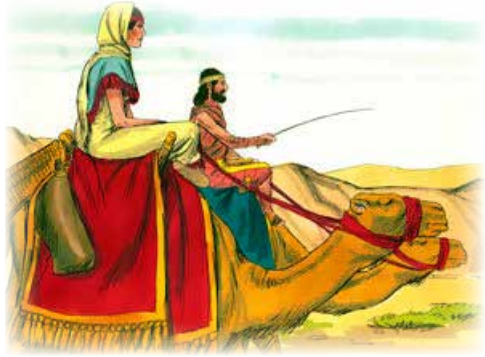
8. How did God preach "the gospel unto Abraham"? Galatians 3:8.

This promise to Abraham is also a promise to us. If we are obedient to God, we will have a home with Abraham in the new earth. We will be heirs with him. The best part of the promise was when God said, "In thee shall all nations of the earth be blessed." Abraham understood from this that in some family of his children the promised Saviour would be born and through Him all the families of the earth would be blessed.

9. To what place did Abraham look forward to? Hebrews 11:16.

 **COLOR THE DRAWING OF ABRAHAM AND ISAAC.**





## Lesson 6

### AN ERRAND

**MEMORY VERSE: “BE YE NOT UNEQUALLY YOKED TOGETHER WITH UNBELIEVERS.” 2 CORINTHIANS 6:14.**

When Isaac was 37, Sarah died. Although God had promised Abram the whole earth, he owned no land and had to buy a place to bury Sarah. The man who owned the cave Abram bought would have gladly given it to him, but Abram accepted no gift of value from those who worshiped idols. If we accept gifts from those who do not love God, we often make it hard for ourselves. Sometime they may want us to do something wrong, and it will be hard for us to refuse, because we received their gifts.

1. Three years later, when Abram thought that he might soon die, what did he ask his most trusted servant, Eliezer, to do? Genesis 24:2-4.

The people of Canaan worshiped idols. Abraham feared that if his son married an idol-worshiping Canaanite woman, he would be taken away from God. In those days, it was the custom for parents to advise their children whom to marry. But they were not forced to marry someone they could not love. The children were taught to respect their parents' wisdom. Isaac was willing to have his father choose a wife for him.

2. Eliezer set out on his errand at once. What presents did he take with him? Genesis 24:10, 11.



**FILL IN THE ANSWERS TO THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

- a. To what city did Eliezer travel? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. What was outside the city? \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Who always came there? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What sign did Eliezer pray for? Genesis 24:12-14 .
4. What was the name of the young lady who answered Eliezer's prayer? Genesis 24:15.

The lady was very beautiful, but it was her spirit of kindness and helpfulness that was most beautiful. Eliezer was happy to find out that Rebekah was the granddaughter of Abraham's brother.

5. Eliezer was sure that God had led him. What did he immediately do? Genesis 24:26, 27.
6. Fill in the missing words that Rebekah might have spoken. Genesis 24:29-33.

"I ran home to show my parents the presents. My brother,  
\_\_\_\_\_, went to the well to invite \_\_\_\_\_  
to come to home. The camels were given \_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_ was placed before Eliezer, but he would not  
\_\_\_\_\_ until he had explained what his errand was."

7. How did Rebekah's father and brother answer Abraham's servant's petition? Genesis 24:50, 51.

Eliezer was so happy that he again bowed and thanked God for answered prayer. Now he could sit down to supper.

8. Eliezer desired to return home right away, but Rebekah's mother and brother begged for her stay a few more days. What did Rebekah answer about this? Genesis 24:57, 58.

9. Fill in the missing words that Isaac might have said. Genesis 24:63-67.

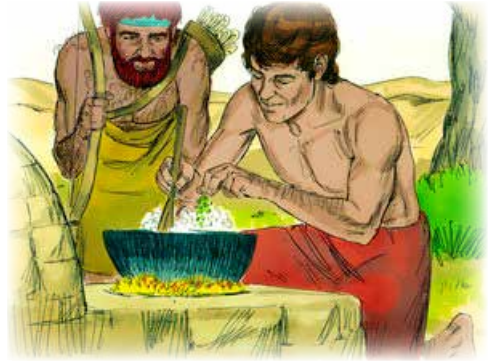
"One \_\_\_\_\_ I went out into the \_\_\_\_\_ to pray to God. As I lifted my \_\_\_\_\_, I saw the \_\_\_\_\_ returning. Rebekah put on a \_\_\_\_\_ to meet me. Eliezer told me the wonderful story of how \_\_\_\_\_ had guided him. I do believe that \_\_\_\_\_ is God's choice for my wife. I was \_\_\_\_\_ after my mother's death."

10. What plain command did God give His people about choosing companions? 2 Corinthians 6:14.



**WRITE DOWN AN EXPERIENCE YOU KNOW ABOUT THAT IS RELATED TO QUESTION 10.**

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## Lesson 7

# TWIN BROTHERS

**MEMORY VERSE:** "LEST THERE BE ANY FORNICATOR, OR PROFANE PERSON, AS ESAU, WHO FOR ONE MORSEL OF MEAT SOLD HIS BIRTHRIGHT." **HEBREWS 12:16.**

Isaac and Rebekah were very happy together. After twenty years, God sent an angel to tell Rebekah that she would have twins. Each child would become a mighty nation, but the younger one would be greater than the older.

1. What were the names of the twin boys born to Isaac and Rebekah? Genesis 25:25, 26.

As the boys grew, Jacob loved to hear his grandfather Abraham tell stories. He longed for Jesus to be born among his descendants. Also he longed for a home in the kingdom of heaven. Esau became tired of hearing grandfather's stories. He preferred to have a good time.

2. What work did the two sons do? Genesis 25:27.

Hunting was Esau's greatest pleasure. He did not like to stay home and help his parents. This grieved them. Jacob, on the other hand, loved caring for the sheep and working in the garden.

3. In those days, the birthright was very important in the family. What is a birthright?

In the patriarchal days, when the father of a family died, the oldest son took the father's place and became the patriarch of the family. This was the birthright. He was the spiritual leader and offered sacrifices for the family. He was responsible to teach and to tell everyone about the coming of the Saviour. In everything he did, he must ask the will of God. The Messiah, the Saviour of the world, would be born among his descendants. Also, the oldest son inherited a double part of his father's wealth.

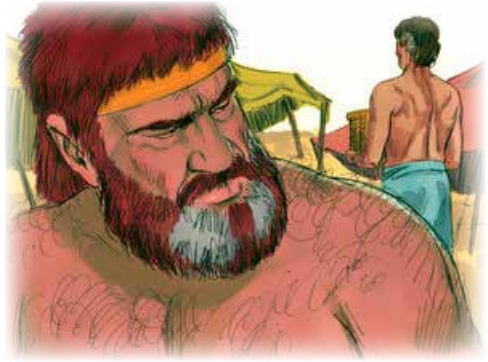
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4. Even though Jacob was born after Esau, Jacob longed to have the birthright and tried to figure out some way to obtain it. What did he do one day? Genesis 25:29-34.
5. How did Esau feel about the birthright? Hebrews 12:16, 17.

Are we like Esau, selling our birthright for some selfish pleasure? Would we rather eat what we like or dress like the world than be God's chosen son or daughter? If we choose to live carelessly, we will find out, when it is too late, that we have sold our right to a home in heaven.

6. Esau's parents were sad when Esau married women who worshiped idols. One day Isaac called Esau to him. What did he ask him to do? Genesis 27:2-4.
7. Isaac wanted to give the birthright blessing to Esau, but Rebekah did not want that. She heard what Isaac asked Esau to do, and she called Jacob. What did she urge him to do? Genesis 27:9, 10.
8. Jacob did not want to do this, for he knew it was wrong; but what did his mother say? Genesis 27:13.



## Lesson 8

### DECEPTION

**MEMORY VERSE:** "LYING LIPS ARE ABOMINATION TO THE LORD; BUT THEY THAT DEAL TRULY ARE HIS DELIGHT." **PROVERBS 12:22.**

1. Jacob did not intend to tell a falsehood. What was the second lie he told? Genesis 27:20.
2. What does God think of lying? Proverbs 12:22.
3. Isaac was still puzzled. What did he say? Genesis 27:21, 22.
4. Did Jacob receive the blessing? Genesis 27:23, 27, 29.

From the moment that Jacob received his father's blessing, he was unhappy, because he knew that he had sinned against his father, his brother, and God. In one short hour, he did a wrong that caused him sorrow for the rest of his life.

5. When Esau returned and found out what had happened, what did he ask his father for? Genesis 27:38.

Although Esau had sold his birthright, he still wanted the double portion of his father's wealth. He did not care about God's blessing. He grieved not because he had sinned but because he had lost great wealth. He hated Jacob.

6. Why did Jacob have to leave home? Genesis 27:42.
  
7. Where did his mother tell him to go? Genesis 27:43.



**WRITE DOWN THIS STORY IN YOUR OWN WORDS.**

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# Lesson 9

## JACOB'S DREAM

**MEMORY VERSE:** "AND JACOB AWAKED OUT OF HIS SLEEP, AND HE SAID, SURELY THE LORD IS IN THIS PLACE; AND I KNEW IT NOT. AND HE WAS AFRAID, AND SAID, HOW DREADFUL IS THIS PLACE! THIS IS NONE OTHER BUT THE HOUSE OF GOD, AND THIS IS THE GATE OF HEAVEN." **GENESIS 28:16, 17.**

Isaac and Rebekah did not want Jacob to marry someone who worshipped idols, as Esau had done.

1. Fill in the missing words (1=A, 2=B, etc).

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\_\_\_\_\_ she had done, but she never saw

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\_\_\_\_\_ again. Isaac \_\_\_\_\_

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Jacob. Still Jacob was \_\_\_\_\_ as he

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began his journey. He feared \_\_\_\_\_ would follow him.

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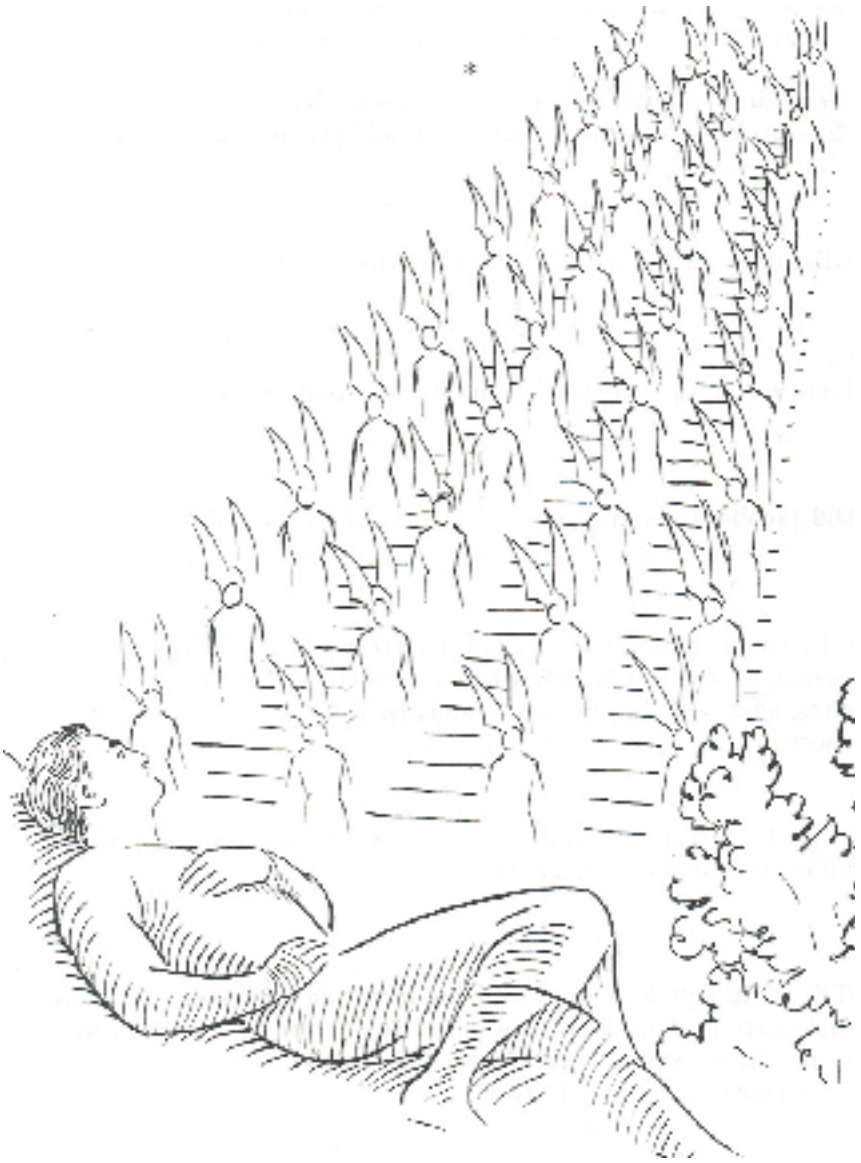
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God would not hear his 16 18 1 25 5 18. With weeping, he 3 15 14 6 5 19 19 5 4 his sin and prayed for a 19 9 7 14 that God had not 6 15 18 19 1 11 5 14 him.

2. Being very tired, what did he do? Genesis 28:11.
3. What did he dream? Genesis 28:12, 13.

When man sinned, he could no longer talk to God face to face. In Jacob's dream, the ladder reached from earth to heaven. We may reach heaven with our prayers. The angels on the ladder showed that Jesus is always sending them back and forth from heaven to this earth to help us.

4. This dream was a comfort to Jacob. What did he say when he awoke? Genesis 28:16, 17.
5. What did Jacob do in the morning? Genesis 28:18, 19.
6. Jacob made this pillar so he could remember the beautiful dream and God's promise. What did he promise God? Genesis 28:20-22.
7. What did Jesus say that was similar to what Jacob saw in vision? John 1:58.





## Lesson 10

# JACOB'S MARRIAGE

**MEMORY VERSE: MEMORIZE THE NAMES OF JACOB'S 12 SONS. GENESIS 35:23-26.**

When Jacob came to the well outside the city, he no doubt thought of his mother and what had happened here. He had no train of camels or rich gifts—nothing but the staff in his hand. In his heart, he was sure that God would guide him. Such a faith in God's word is worth more than gold or silver.

1. Jacob asked some shepherds about Laban. They told him his daughter was just coming with the sheep. What was the lady's name? What did Jacob do? Genesis 29:10.
2. Jacob stayed with Laban and worked for him. What question did Laban ask? What did Jacob answer? Genesis 29:15, 18.

As a child, Jacob had learned to be helpful wherever he saw anything he could do. He was glad to work. We, too, should be willing and glad to work and help our parents.

3. What were the names of Laban's two daughters? Genesis 29:16.
4. At the end of seven years, Laban made a great wedding feast. How was Jacob deceived? Genesis 29:25.

5. Jacob had deceived his father, and now he knew how it felt. How many more years did he have to work for Rachel? Genesis 29:27.

6. Jacob's home was not happy, because he loved Rachel more than Leah. This made the sisters jealous of each other. Jacob had twelve sons. Each son's name meant something, as shown below. Write the names of the twelve sons, using the first letter provided below. Genesis 35:23-26.

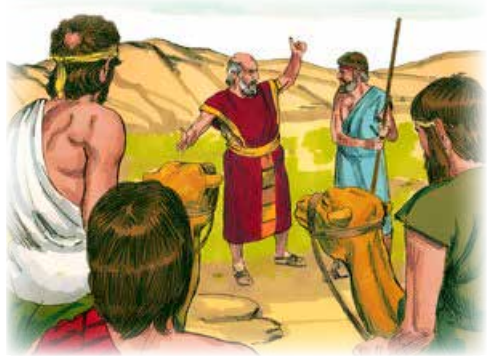
1. First son                    R \_\_\_\_\_
2. Hearing                      S \_\_\_\_\_
3. Praise                      J \_\_\_\_\_
4. Wrestling                 N \_\_\_\_\_
5. Happiness                A \_\_\_\_\_
6. Dwelling                 Z \_\_\_\_\_
7. Troop                      G \_\_\_\_\_
8. Adding                    J \_\_\_\_\_
9. Son of right hand      B \_\_\_\_\_
10. Judging                 D \_\_\_\_\_
11. Hire                      I \_\_\_\_\_
12. Companion             L \_\_\_\_\_



**LIST JACOB'S SONS' NAMES IN THE ORDER OF THEIR BIRTH.**

See Genesis 29:32-35; 30:6, 8, 11, 13, 18, 20, 24; 35:18.

| Son's name | Mother's name |
|------------|---------------|
| 1.         |               |
| 2.         |               |
| 3.         |               |
| 4.         |               |
| 5.         |               |
| 6.         |               |
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| 11.        |               |
| 12.        |               |



## Lesson 11

### JACOB'S RETURN

**MEMORY VERSE: "THE ANGEL OF THE LORD ENCAMPETH ROUND ABOUT THEM THAT FEAR HIM, AND DELIVERETH THEM." PSALM 34:7.**

1. After working for fourteen years for Laban, Jacob longed to return to Canaan. What did he ask Laban for? What was Laban's answer? Genesis 30:25-27.

Laban had been unfair to Jacob. He knew Jacob was a faithful worker and that God had blessed his flocks because of Jacob, but he had not given Jacob all he had earned for his work. How selfish Laban was!

2. Jacob would have left Laban, but he was afraid to meet Esau. He agreed to work for Laban again. What animals did Laban promise to give Jacob for this service? Genesis 30:32.
3. How many times did Laban change Jacob's wages? Genesis 31:7.

For six years longer Jacob worked for Laban. No matter what Laban did, God always blessed Jacob and made him richer. Laban envied him, and his sons were jealous. Jacob noticed this and knew that a change had to be made.

4. What did the Angel of God tell Jacob in a dream? Genesis 31:13.

One day when Laban was away shearing sheep, Jacob decided to leave for Canaan. He took his family and herds. Three days later when Laban found out that they had all left, he was very angry. At once he started out after them.

5. Who spoke to Laban in a dream? What did He tell him? Genesis 31:24, 29.
6. Laban accused Jacob of stealing some of his idols. Jacob told him to go ahead and search his tents for them. Laban did not find them. Who had taken them? Genesis 31:34.
7. Jacob and Laban set up a pile of stones as a pledge of a promise of peace and friendship. What beautiful words did Laban speak? Genesis 31:49.

As Jacob journeyed toward home, many times he thought about the wrong he had done to his brother. He wondered if Esau still hated him. Also he thought of how God had blessed him and His promise to be with him. Now Jacob feared that Esau might think that he was coming to make trouble.

8. Who met Jacob on the way? Genesis 32:1.
9. What has God promised to all of His repentant, faithful people? Psalm 34:7.

We may not see the angels; but if we trust in God, they are always by our side to keep us from harm and danger.



## Lesson 12

### JACOB'S TROUBLE

**MEMORY VERSE:** "THY NAME SHALL BE CALLED NO MORE JACOB, BUT ISRAEL: FOR AS A PRINCE HAST THOU POWER WITH GOD AND WITH MEN, AND HAST PREVAILED." **GENESIS 32:28.**

1. Jacob wanted to do something to show Esau that he was sorry for his sin against him. What did he do? Genesis 32:3-5.
2. What fearful message did the messengers bring back? Genesis 32:6.
3. Jacob believed that Esau was coming to kill him. What did he decide to do? Genesis 32:7, 8.

Jacob could not rest, so he went away alone to pray. He repeated God's promises to him and confessed that he was not worthy of anything God had done for him. If we are faithful in learning our memory verses, God's promises will come to our minds in times of temptation, as they came to Jacob's mind. When we repeat them, they will keep us from being discouraged.

4. Jacob sent five servants ahead with presents for Esau. What were they to answer if Esau questioned them? Genesis 32:17, 18.

During the day, Jacob and his family reached the Jabbok River. Night came on, and he sent his family across the river. He stayed behind, because he wanted to be alone with God and to spend the night in prayer.

5. Suddenly at midnight, something happened. What was it? Genesis 32:24.

In the darkness they struggled together. Not a word was spoken. Satan was near to try to discourage Jacob; but he kept remembering God's promises and his heart went out in prayer for God's mercy.

6. What happened at daylight? Genesis 32:25.

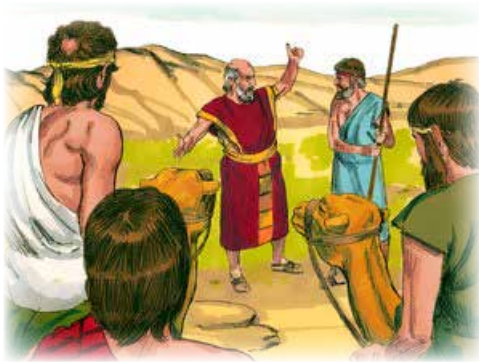
 **COLOR THE DRAWING OF JACOB STRUGGLING WITH THE ANGEL.**

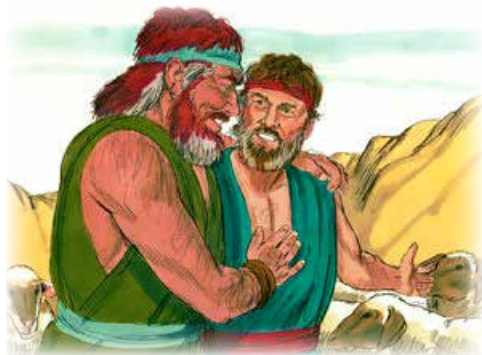


When the stranger placed his finger on Jacob's thigh, it went out of joint. Now Jacob knew that the Man was the majesty of heaven. He fell helpless and weeping upon the neck of the Saviour and prayed that he might know that his sins were forgiven.

7. What did the Angel say, and what did Jacob answer? Genesis 32:26.
  
8. What was Jacob's name changed to? Genesis 32:28.

**NOTE TO TEACHER:** Explain the time of Jacob's trouble from *Patriarchs and Prophets*, pp. 201, 202.





## Lesson 13

# JACOB AND ESAU MEET

**MEMORY VERSE: "WHEN A MAN'S WAYS PLEASE THE LORD, HE MAKETH EVEN HIS ENEMIES TO BE AT PEACE WITH HIM." PROVERBS 16:7.**

1. Describe what happened when the two brothers met. Genesis 33:4, 5.

While Jacob was wrestling with the Angel, a heavenly messenger was sent to Esau. In a dream, he beheld his brother for twenty years an exile from his father's house; he witnessed his grief when he heard that his mother had died; he saw him encompassed by the hosts of God. This dream was related by Esau to his soldiers, with the command not to harm Jacob, for the God of his father was with him. —*Patriarchs and Prophets*, p. 198.

2. Esau's soldiers could not understand the change that had come over their leader. What does the Bible say? Proverbs 16:7.

God answered Jacob's prayer and changed Esau's heart. When everything is right between us and God, He can work in a wonderful way for us.

3. Esau asked Jacob why he had sent him gifts, because he had enough. What was Jacob's answer? Genesis 33:10, 11.

Esau offered to go before Jacob with his soldiers to keep him from harm. Jacob did not want this, for the influence of Esau and his men would not be good for his family. God and His angels were with him; he was not afraid. Esau and his men returned home.

4. After Jacob arrived in Canaan, where did God tell him to go? Genesis 35:1.
5. What did Jacob tell his family to do? Genesis 35:2.

Jacob knew that there were idols in the camp and that some of the people worshiped them. He wanted all of them to worship the one true God. He repeated his experiences at Bethel. They gave him the strange gods and earrings, and he buried them. Genesis 35:4.

6. What is the first commandment? Exodus 20:3.

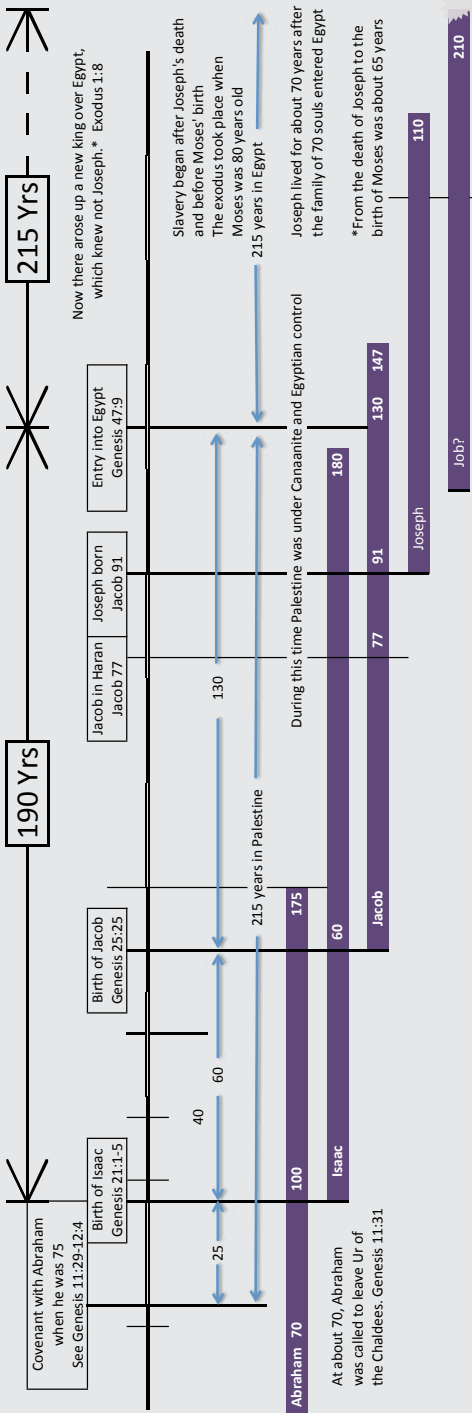
A god is not always an image. Anything that leads us to love God less or causes us to forget to serve Him the best we can is a god for us. It may be a little piece of jewelry that we wear just for show. Money is a god if we use it only for our own pleasure.

7. What kind of apparel does God say we should wear? 1 Timothy 2:9.

This means that we should not wear jewelry or decorations.

8. What principle will help us to select the kinds of clothing that will please and properly represent God? 1 Peter 3:3, 4.

# THE YEARS OF THE PATRIARCHS



Approximate time of Job's experience (Afterward he lived another 140 years and died at 210—about 25 years after Moses arrived in Midian and about 15 years before the exodus)