

## BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

### SPRING 2022

Unit 1, Session 1

#### CONNECTION POINT:

We reflect Christ when we serve others with humility.

#### THE BIBLE MEETS

**LIFE:** Serving others can often be hard and serving them with humility can be even harder. Of course, many of us want others to know that we served, it was hard, and we did it with humility! Jesus displayed the greatest humility because He came to serve us (Mark 10:45)—even when we were sinners. Such a thought is humbling, and as His followers, we are to embrace the same humility He displayed to us.

**LIVE IT OUT:** Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to take his or her faith and Live It Out.

# FAMILY CONNECTION

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

## PRESCHOOL

**Scripture:** Genesis 26:1-6,12-33

**Live It Out:** Review the Bible story. Talk about ways your preschooler can get along with others by not arguing or fighting. Say the Weekly Verse together.

Isaac obeyed God and lived where God told him to live.

Isaac had many cows and sheep. Some people did not like Isaac.

People put dirt in Isaac's wells. Isaac could not get water. So Isaac moved to a new place.

Isaac's helpers dug a new well. But the people who lived there said the water belonged to them. Isaac did not want to argue with the people. The same happened again.

Isaac's helpers dug another well. These people did not argue. Everyone had plenty of water.

The king came to see Isaac. The king said, "We know God has taken care of you. Let's agree that we will be kind to each other."

Isaac chose to be kind to people who were not kind to him.

## KIDS

**Scripture:** Genesis 26:1-6,12-33

**Live It Out:** Give your child art materials to make a poster of Romans 12:18. Talk about ways to live at peace with others.

God promised Isaac that his offspring would be too many to count, like stars in the sky. God would bless them too. So Isaac stayed in Gerar.

God blessed Isaac. He became wealthy with flocks, herds, and servants. The Philistines were jealous of Isaac, so they filled Isaac's wells with dirt. The king told Isaac to leave.

Isaac moved to the valley. He opened his father's wells. The herdsman said, "It's our water!" Isaac's servants dug another well. The herdsman quarreled over that one. Isaac moved and dug another well. No one argued over it. He remembered what God had done for him.

The king came to see Isaac. He wanted to make a promise to keep peace and not harm one another. Isaac and the king took an oath to each other. They left Isaac in peace.

## STUDENTS

**Scripture:** John 13:3-10,14-16

- Why are we sometimes unwilling to serve in seemingly humble tasks?
- How does pride keep us from serving others?
- What opportunities do you have this week to humbly serve someone?

**Live It Out:** Scripture teaches that we are given spiritual gifts for the purpose of serving others (Eph. 4:11-13), specifically to build up our brothers and sisters in the church. An important part of our living in connection with Jesus and reflecting Him to our neighbors is serving others in love.

We are gifted and called to serve others. With your student, consider your current involvement in your church and in your relationships with others. Challenge your family to create some long-term goals of ways in which you can serve others in your church and community.