

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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Unit 2, Session 2

CONNECTION

POINT: Seize opportunities to hear God's Word proclaimed and explained.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: Society has always placed great value on teaching via the spoken word. The popularity of podcasts and audiobooks has risen greatly in recent years, giving us more opportunities to learn through what we hear. The spoken word has always been an integral part of biblical history. It has traversed through time as a means of growing our faith. We should take advantage of the many ways we can hear from others as they communicate the teachings and application of God's Word.

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 24; 25:19-26

Live It Out: Review the Bible story. Talk about ways God helps your family. Print *God Helps Me* in the center of a paper. Let your child decorate the paper.

When it was time for Isaac to get married, Abraham sent a servant to his family to find a wife for Isaac.

As the servant traveled, he prayed to God, "Show me the woman You have chosen."

God helped the servant know that Rebekah was the one for Isaac. When she came to the well for water, she offered to give water to the servant's camels.

The servant gave Rebekah gold bracelets. The servant talked to Rebekah's family. Rebekah agreed to go with the servant.

The servant took Rebekah to Isaac's home. Isaac and Rebekah were married.

Rebekah could not have children, so Isaac prayed to God for a baby. God answered Isaac's prayer and gave Isaac and Rebekah two baby boys—twins! God helped Isaac have a family.

KIDS

Scripture: Genesis 22:1-19

Live It Out: Ask your child to think of times she has had difficulty obeying God. Pray with her that she would always trust and obey God.

God told Abraham to take his son, Isaac, to a mountain and sacrifice him.

Abraham loaded the donkey with wood and set off with two servants and his son Isaac.

When they came to the mountain, he and Isaac went up the mountain. Isaac carried the wood. Abraham carried the fire and the knife.

Isaac asked, "Where is the lamb for the offering?"

"God will provide the lamb we need, my son," Abraham answered.

Abraham built an altar and put wood on it. He tied Isaac and laid him on the altar. Before Abraham could kill his son, an angel called out to him. God knew Abraham honored Him.

God provided a ram for the sacrifice. God said again His promise to give Abraham many descendants. Abraham, Isaac, and the servants returned home.

STUDENTS

Scripture: Nehemiah 8:1-3,7-12

- What sometimes keeps us from hearing God's Word?
- When have you found it difficult to understand what the Bible was saying?
- When have you felt conviction upon hearing God's Word?

Live It Out: A preacher or teacher's job is to communicate the truths of God's words. It's important that when we hear God's Word taught we make sure the things being taught align with Scripture. People's thoughts or opinions (even in regard to Scripture) are flawed at times, but God's Word is perfect. We can trust it enough to base our lives upon its truths.

God expects us to personally read His Word. We're also expected to hear it in the context of Christian community. With your family, make a commitment to attend church services regularly and commit to being part of a Bible study group or class. Help your family to understand and live out principles from Scripture and allow them to help you do the same.