

Unit 2 Session 4, A Wife for Isaac

What We Learned – March 16, 2025



A Wife for Isaac (Genesis 24–25)

Dear families,

In Genesis 24-25, we find the next step in God’s plan for Abraham: finding a wife for Isaac. The first verse reveals that God blessed Abraham in everything. Abraham had trusted in God, who had taken him from his native land and had sworn to provide for his every need. Now, he trusted God to fulfill the next step in His promises, believing God would guide his servant’s steps in the search for Isaac’s wife.

How do we see God's continued faithfulness to His promise in the story of Rebekah and Isaac?
How can that encourage us today?

Abraham wanted to make sure his son’s wife would be from his own land and people, not from the land of Canaan. So, he sent his trusted servant on a mission to find the wife God would provide. Prayerfully, the servant asked God for favor on this journey. But before he had finished asking God to bless him on this mission, God was already answering his prayer.

God had gone before Abraham's servant to provide for Isaac. The servant’s immediate response to Rebekah's kindness was worship to the God who “has not withheld his kindness and faithfulness.” Rebekah’s family knew Abraham’s servant had likewise been blessed by God and answered in response to this marriage proposal: “This is from the LORD; we have no choice in the matter.”

They trusted in God's goodness on their behalf and allowed His plans to unfold, just as He had spoken.

God's promise to bless Abraham hinged upon His provision of a wife for Isaac. Yet, God's provision is not contingent upon human reason or ability. God demonstrated His sovereign kindness to Abraham, his family, and his servant through fulfilling His Word to them. The same is true in God's plan of redemption; He provided the ultimate One we needed—Jesus—to fulfill the covenant He made in Genesis! Jesus was sent to us to be the Servant we needed to fulfill God's mission of restoring our relationship to Him.

Ask God to continue revealing Himself to your kids. Pray that He would make His ways known to them, that redemption and salvation would take hold of their lives as they grow to understand His great love for them in Jesus.

Check out The Gospel Project At Home for resources designed to help you lead a family worship experience as well as suggestions for morning and evening prayer times and family activities.

FAMILY TALKING POINTS

STORY POINT

This is the main point to emphasize from today's Bible story.

- Preschool: God gave Isaac a wife to keep His promises.
- Kids: God gave Isaac a wife to keep His promises to bless the nations.

CHRIST CONNECTION

This is the big idea of how this week's Bible story points to Jesus.

- Babies & Toddlers: We can know and love Jesus.
- Younger Preschool: God provided a wife for Isaac to know and love. God sent His servant—Jesus—to earth. Jesus died and rose again so people could know and love Him.
- Older Preschool: God provided a wife for Isaac. Abraham's servant brought back Rebekah so Isaac could know and love her. God sent His servant—Jesus—to seek and save people from sin and death. Jesus was faithful. He died and rose again so that people could know and love Him.
- Kids: God was faithful to provide a wife for Isaac. Abraham's servant brought back Rebekah so Isaac could know and love her. God sent His servant—Jesus—to seek and save people from sin and death. Jesus was faithful. He died and rose again so that people could know and love Him.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION & ANSWER

This is an important biblical truth that your child will encounter each week of this unit.

- Younger Preschool: Who keeps His promises? God keeps His promises.
- Older Preschool: Does God keep His promises? Yes, God always keeps His promises.
- Kids: T Does God keep His promises? Yes, God always keeps His promises because He is faithful.

KEY PASSAGE

This is a Bible verse that relates to what your child will encounter each week of this unit.

- Babies & Toddlers: God is good, and His love is forever. Psalm 100:5
- Younger Preschool: The LORD is good, and His love lasts forever. Psalm 100:5
- Older Preschool: For the LORD is good, and his faithful love endures forever. Psalm 100:5
- Kids: For the LORD is good, and his faithful love endures forever; his faithfulness, through all generations. Psalm 100:5

** Next week: Jacob and Esau (Genesis 25; 27)