

Lesson 10

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Kids

**How did God love Abraham?
God spoke with Abraham and protected
him always.**

Read aloud: Genesis 18:16-33

Recommended Illustration

Okay, so it is lunchtime at school and your best friend sits down beside you and tells you the most amazing news ever! It is not really a secret, but you are the first to know. What is the first thing you would do when you heard this news? Would you go tell someone? Who would you tell first?

I bet many of you would go tell another one of your closest friends, first thing. That is because when you have a friendship with someone, you share things. You might share secrets, you might share stories, you might share plans, but the one thing that is required to have a friendship is communication.

Now here is something to think about: Does God need anyone? I mean really think about it. Try and think of something that God really needs. The truth is God does not need anything because God does not lack anything. In fact, the only thing he lacks is lack. That is confusing, but it is true! God does not need anything or anyone. However, because he loved Abraham, he decided that he would tell Abraham about his plans.

Helpful Insights

At one point, God is planning to destroy a very wicked place called Sodom, and rather than do so in secret, God decides that he wants to tell Abraham. The reason God tells him is because of his friendship. Think about this, God decided that his friendship with Abraham was so important that he wanted to tell Abraham before he carried out his plans.

This is a privilege that no one else enjoyed. God did not choose to go talk to the kings of the nations, God did not write a letter to the best athletes, God did not talk to the best looking shepherds around, God did not talk to the kid with the coolest bicycle. God talked to his friend, Abraham, and in so doing, showed Abraham the special love that he had for him.

The Point

Because God loves us, he has spoken to us in his word. Because God has a special love for the children of Abraham, he has promised to talk to us in special ways and he has revealed his plans to us. Because God has spoken to us, we should do our best to find out what he has said to us and what he has promised us.

