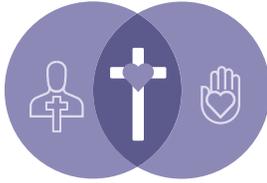


A SIGN AND A PROMISE

LESSON 2

Genesis 15:1–6; 17:1–21

GOD PROMISES US A FUTURE.



CONNECTING IDENTITY & CALLING

IDENTITY: WHO AM I?

God has made me part of His covenant family through my Baptism.

CALLING: WHY AM I HERE?

I can trust God to carry out His plan as I serve Him through my various vocations.

GROWING IN FAITH FOR LIFE

See how this lesson builds on learning for each age.

ADULT

I can express the great lengths God has gone through to ensure that His promises come to pass.

YOUTH

I can share God's promise of a future for me and other believers.

ELEMENTARY

I understand that God promises me a future through Jesus.

EARLY CHILDHOOD

I know God, my loving Father, keeps all His promises.

BIBLE VERSE

For all the promises of God
find their Yes in [Jesus].

2 Corinthians 1:20

SCRIPTURE SNAPSHOT

God reassures Abram of His promise to bless the earth through Abram's offspring. God changes his name from Abram ("exalted father") to Abraham ("father of many nations") and institutes circumcision as the sign of His continued covenant with Abraham. Despite Abraham and Sarah's advanced age, God promises they will have a son of their own.

TAKING IT HOME

- ▶ *On the Go*—Why did God rename Abram and Sarai? When did God give you a new name?
- ▶ *At Meal Time*—God promised Abram that all people would be blessed through him. He kept His promise by sending His Son, Jesus. What did Jesus do that provides blessings for all people?
- ▶ *Something to Do*—Abram was ninety-nine years old when God changed his name to Abraham. He also changed his wife's name from Sarai to Sarah. He promised that even in their old age, they would have a son. Read Genesis 17:19. Who named their child? Find out who named you.
- ▶ *Before Bed*—Look at the night sky outside your bedroom window. How many stars can you see? Can you count them? Though we can't always see them, the endless stars remind us of God's endless love for us.

