

Lesson 37: Angels Visit Abraham

[Genesis 18:1-19:29](#)

Youtube Link for Teachers: <https://youtu.be/gZHzMatgomw>

Children's Bible Story Video: <https://youtu.be/oyBTC8fD3aM>

Worship Theme: God does amazing things.

Memory Verse: "For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods." (Psalm 95:3)

Songs (Youtube links):

1. Our God Is Awesome <https://youtu.be/TU6HfxJXLvQ>
2. Father Abraham <https://youtu.be/OAuJ7i82odA>
3. Jesus Christ Is the Lord of All <https://youtu.be/l-PzUIJ0MVo>

Pray

Song: Select songs from the list above.

Icebreaker: "Pass the Cup"

Materials Needed: cup, water

1. Divide the children into 3 groups and sit in a line.
2. Give each group a cup full of water. They have to pass the cup to the person in the back over their head. They need to try not to spill any water.
3. The team with the most water left over at the end of the line wins the game.
4. After the game, explain to the children it is amazing that they did not spill all the water as they were passing the cup. But God does much more amazing things for us!



Introduction:

Who is the most powerful person you have ever met? Why did you think this person was powerful? Was it because they could lift very heavy things? Or was it because they had a lot of money? No matter how powerful people seem to be, they are always limited. They cannot fly or breathe underwater or make impossible things happen. The most powerful being in the world is God! Today, let's learn about our powerful God who did some amazing things for a man named Abraham!

Bible Story:

Abraham and his family lived in a desert area, and it is rare to have visitors. It is hard to travel through the desert. So, when they have any visitors, it was their culture to take good care of the visitors.

One day Abraham was sitting at the entrance to his tent. People during this time lived in tents as their houses. It was hot outside. Abraham looked up and saw three men standing nearby. Abraham didn't know it, but it was God who had come to visit him. Isn't that amazing?

Abraham hurried to greet the three men. He offered them food and rest, and they agreed to come and stay at Abraham's place. Abraham hurried to tell Sarah, his wife, about the visitors and asked her to prepare some food for the guests. So Sarah baked bread and Abraham went to prepare some meat.

When the food was ready, Abraham took the food to the visitors. While they ate, they asked where Sarah was. Abraham told them that she was inside the tent. Then they told Abraham that Abraham and Sarah will have a son by the time they return next year. For many years, God had been promising a son for Abraham and Sarah. Now Sarah and Abraham were much too old to have children. Abraham was 99 years old and

Sarah was 89 years old. This seemed impossible in human eyes! But God promised they were going to have a baby boy by next year. Isn't that amazing?

Sarah had been listening at the entrance of the tent. When she heard that God said she would have a baby, she laughed to herself. The news was so amazing that she couldn't quite believe it. God knew that Sarah was laughing. "Then the LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Will I really have a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too hard for the LORD? I will return to you at the appointed time next year, and Sarah will have a son" (Genesis 18:13-14). And that's just what happened. The next year, Sarah had a baby boy! God let an impossible thing happen to Abraham and Sarah! Isn't that amazing?

As humans, we can't do everything. We can't fly without the use of machines. We can't breathe underwater without an oxygen tank. But God is different from us. God can do anything and everything. There is nothing that's impossible for God. That's one reason we worship God—because he's so powerful that he can do anything. What amazing things is God doing in your life now?

Questions to discuss:

1. Who came to visit Abraham? (three angels)
2. What did they promise Abraham? (Sarah will have a son by next year)
3. Why was this an impossible promise? (Abraham was 99 years old and Sarah was 89 years old)
4. Why is God able to do amazing things? (He is all powerful!)
5. What can God who does amazing things do for you? (let the children answer)

Game: "Follow the Word"

1. Divide the children into 3 equal groups and have them sit together.
2. Select a representative from each group and have them play rock, paper, and scissors. The winning team will choose a song and sing parts of it. When the song ends, the next group has to select a song that starts with the same word the first group's song ended with. (Option: The second group can select a song that starts with the same letter of the song the first group ended with.)
3. After the game, explain to the children that it is amazing that children can think of songs that start with the same word as the previous song ended with. Our God is so powerful that God can do much more amazing things in our lives!

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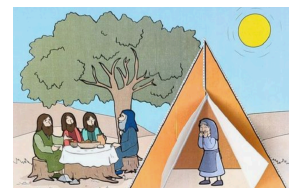
Memory Verse:

"For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods." (Psalm 95:3)

Craft: "Angels Visit Abraham"

Materials Needed: Printed craft sheet, crayon, scissors, glue

1. Give printed craft sheet to each child and have them color. Color the tent, too.
2. Cut out the tent and cut the middle line and glue it over Sarah. Open the flap so that you can see Sarah inside of the tent.



Song: Select songs from the list above

Pray

Teacher's Devotion (Please read before you get ready to teach the students.)

Jesus is God's most amazing miracle. He gave us eternal life when we were dead in sin! How are you at recognizing miracles in your life? Look for miracles all around you, not just in big, dramatic situations but also in "smaller" things: the beauty of the sunrise, the happy smile of a baby, or people forgiving and loving each other. Ask God to help you see his miracles every day and to strengthen your faith when things seem impossible.

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