Lesson 28 Isaac Marries Rebekah

Genesis 24

Youtube Link: https://youtu.be/8Yo5skLLrlk

Children's Bible Story Video: https://youtu.be/M7WZRrb39LE

Worship Theme: God helps us make choices in life.

Memory Verse: "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jeremiah 29:11)

Songs (Youtube links):

- 1. Our God Is Good https://youtu.be/JUMy8rZvqjY
- 2. Who Is My Master? https://youtu.be/e4gCJBfWNTs
- 3. Lord I Worship You https://youtu.be/1C4guXZFdAw

Prayer:

Song: Select songs from the list above.

Game: Flower Whisper (Khmer Game)



- 1. Divide into two groups and choose a leader. The leader gives children in their team a different name.
- 2. The leaders will play rock, paper, scissors.
- 3. The losing leader is blindfolded and has to guess who came to tap their hand. If they guess correctly, then they can take a child from their opposing team. The team

with most children will win the game.

Introduction:

In our Bible story today, we're going to hear about a man who had a difficult decision to make. During the time of Abraham, parents chose husbands and wives for their children. Abraham wanted to make sure his son Isaac married a woman who shared their family background and would worship God as he and his family did. Unfortunately, all those young women lived in the land Abraham had left behind many years before. So, Abraham sent a trusted servant back to the old country to find the perfect wife for Isaac. Do you think the servant will be able to find a perfect wife for Isaac?

Bible Story: (Print the poster "Who Is the Perfect Wife for Isaac?" and use it at this time.)

At Abraham's request, the servant went in search for Isaac's wife. When the servant got to the country Abraham had left, he realized he needed help in making such an important choice. Many women lived in this country, and he needed to choose the right one! On our poster, all the women wearing the same blue dress share Abraham's background. Since anyone who didn't meet this qualification would be ruled out, we can cross out anyone not wearing a blue dress.

The servant prayed. Remember, the woman he would select had to be someone who shared Abraham's family background so that she and Isaac could worship God together and teach their children God's ways. Everyone else would not be considered to be Isaac's wife.

The servant was thirsty. He asked God to lead him to a woman who would be kind and helpful and would give him a drink of water when he asked. On our poster, we can cross out anyone not carrying water.

The servant asked God to show him a woman who would show true kindness by offering to give his thirsty camels a drink as well. God directed the servant to Rebekah. When Rebekah offered to give the servant and his camels a drink, he asked about her family. Sure enough, Rebekah had the right background. The servant knew that God had answered his prayer for direction. Rebekah's family recognized God's direction, too, and allowed her to go with the servant to be Isaac's wife.

When we seek God's direction, God is pleased. We are showing respect to God by trusting that God's plans are better than our own. Don't forget that God has a plan for each of us, a direction for each of our lives.

Questions to discuss:

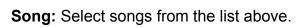
- 1. Who did Abraham send to look for Isaac's wife? (the servant)
- 2. What did the servant do before meeting Rebekah? (He prayed and trusted in God to help him find a perfect wife for Isaac)
- 3. What can you do when you have some difficult questions in life? (ask parents, ask God)

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Craft: Origami Bird (1 square paper for each child)

(Teachers: Please learn how to make origami bird by clicking this link: Origami Bird)

We have square paper here. What can we make with this? (Let children answer the question.) Just as God has plans for every one of us, we have a plan for this square paper. If you follow the direction, you will end up with something very special.



Praver:

Devotion for Teachers: (Please read and pray before the class)
Abraham's servant had a very difficult task, so he asked for wisdom and help from
God. We who teach God's children also have a difficult task! As you prepare to teach
this week, ask God for his help. Be as specific as possible, and wait confidently for his
direction!

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