

Walk Through the Bible
School Aged Ideas/Activities

Week #1: Beginnings

NOTE: *These are just a few suggestions for you to use to introduce and reinforce the lessons we learned in Genesis. Feel free to pick and choose which works best for your family.*

Review the hand motions each day with your child/family for Genesis:

Creation (*cup hands like a bowl*),

Fall (*raise hands and lower in a falling motion as if pulling something down*),

Flood (*wiggle fingers and raise hands as if rising water*),

Nations (*form hands and pull apart as if trying to pry open elevator doors from the center*),

Abraham (*flick fingers in the air as if stars twinkling in the sky*),

Isaac (*cradle arms as if holding a baby*),

Jacob (*pull one arm down as if arm-wrestling*), and

Joseph (*pick up shoulders of your garment*).

Creation

- Have your child take a piece of paper and fold it into fourths (fold it in half, and then from there, in half again). Open your paper back up, and there should be 8 sections: 4 on the front and 4 on the back. Have your family read Genesis Chapters 1 and 2 together. Have your child draw a picture of what God created on each day of creation in seven of the sections, leaving one blank (we will use the empty section in The Fall lesson). Talk about how God made people in His image, remind them they were created in God's image, and bear His image. Pray together, circle the family together, go around the family, and each person thank God for one thing He created.

- Look up the song "So Will I" by Hillsong. Play it and encourage your family to think about each thing the song talks about that God created. Talk about how all things created were meant to worship God.

The Fall

- Read about Adam and Eve and the first sin that entered the world. Talk about the pattern of sin, based on Adam and Eve's story. How we deceive ourselves into thinking things are OK when God says they are not. How when we sin, we hide, blame others, and experience shame and guilt. Explain that the Bible says we are all sinners, and that our sin deserves a punishment. Share with your child the message of the gospel, that Jesus came for this very reason: to take the punishment of our sin, and to offer us forgiveness and a restored relationship with God.

-Bring back the 8-sectioned paper your child did from the Creation lesson. There should be one empty section. Allow your child to draw an illustration of sin in the empty section; either their own, or the story of Adam and Eve.

The Flood

- Read the story of Noah to your child. Print out the quiz (following this lesson) and see how many questions your family can answer correctly together.

Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph

- Read Genesis 12:1-9 and discuss with your family how you would respond if God asked you to pick up and move, not telling you where were going. Talk about the faith required for Abraham to obey. Tell them that God made a covenant with Abraham, making 3 promises - land, descendants, and a Blessing. Then read Galatians 3:7-9 and your child what is required to be blessed through Abraham, based on that passage (*the answer is: Faith*). Discuss faith, what it is and how to have it.

- Print off the family tree of Abraham (following this lesson) and work together as a family to complete it.

CAUTION TO PARENTS, THERE ARE MULTIPLE WIVES AND HAVING BABIES WITH MAIDSERVANTS, SO BE PREPARED THAT THOSE TOPICS COULD COME UP IN DISCUSSIONS AS YOU WORK THROUGH THIS FAMILY TREE.

Use the following verses/passages to help you complete Abraham's Family Tree: Genesis 17:15-19, Genesis 25:19-20, Genesis 25:24-26, Genesis 25:22-23, Genesis 28:21-28, Genesis 30:22-24. You will see that God used a very dysfunctional family to accomplish His purposes. Remind your child that God's story is one of taking a mess and redeeming it. End your discussions focusing back on faith, and Abraham's faith and obedience. God does not always clearly reveal places we are headed, but He always clearly reveals Himself, and asks us to have faith and obedience to follow Him.



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BIBLE QUIZ

NOAH

Match the question with the answer on the right.

QUESTIONS

- ___ What were the names of Noah's three sons?
- ___ What type of wood did Noah use to build the ark?
- ___ Which people boarded the ark?
- ___ How old was Noah when he went into the ark?
- ___ What did Noah do to show his thanks to Yahweh?
- ___ What was the sign of God's covenant with Noah and his descendants?
- ___ Who does the Bible say was the father of Canaan?
- ___ After Noah left the ark, what did he plant?
- ___ Why did Noah curse his son, Ham?
- ___ How old was Noah when he died?

ANSWERS

1. Ham
2. A rainbow
3. 600 years
4. Shem, Ham, and Japeth
5. Because he told his two brothers about Noah's nakedness
6. Gopher
7. Made clean animal sacrifices on an altar
8. A vineyard
9. 950 years
10. Noah, his wife, and Noah's sons and their wives



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Abraham's Family Tree

Complete the family tree below, noting the Scripture passage that mentions the birth or relationship of each person, as done for Ishmael.

