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# CREATION Pt. 1

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. He created day and night, the sun, the stars, and the moon. He created the beasts of the earth, the livestock, and everything that crawls on the earth. And God saw that it was good.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Be Fruitful and Multiply** | God instructed the creatures He had created to be fruitful and multiply and to fill the earth.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Earth** | God made the earth to have everything it needed to sustain living beings.

**Purpose** | Everything God made, He put in its place, and He gave a purpose to fulfill.

**Reproduction** | God gave the living things in His creation the ability to reproduce according to their kind.

**Light** | God created lights in the expanse to separate day from night: the sun to rule the day, and the moon to rule the night.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Abundant life** | God blessed the birds, fish, and animals to be fruitful and multiply.

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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 1, "Creation (Part 1)."

1. God created the heavens and the earth. On the first day of creation He created light, and separated the light from the darkness.
2. On the second day, God created an expanse between the waters above and the waters below, and called the expanse "sky."
3. On the third day, God gathered the seas so that dry land appeared. God commanded all the plants and trees to grow.
4. On the fourth day, God spoke into being the sun, the moon, and the stars.
5. On the fifth day, God created all the creatures of the sea and all the birds of the sky and told them to be fruitful and multiply.
6. On the sixth day, God created all the cattle, beasts of the field, and creatures that crawl on the ground.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### God's Creation

1. What does the Bible say the earth was like before God created everything?  
*Answer:* The earth was without form and empty, and darkness was upon the face of the deep.
2. Where was the Spirit of God at the beginning of creation?  
*Answer:* The Spirit was moving upon the face of the waters.
3. How did God create everything in the beginning?  
*Answer:* In the beginning, God created everything by speaking it into existence.

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## LESSON THREE 3

### What Can We Learn About God?

1. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. What does this tell us about God's relationship to creation?

*Answer:* The Bible shows us that God existed before creation and He is not Himself a part of creation.

2. What are some of the words used to describe how God creates things?

*Answer:* 1. God created. 2. God spoke. 3. God separated. 4. God made. 5. God placed.

3. What is the first instruction God gives to living creatures after making them?

*Answer:* Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, the sea, and the sky.

## DISCUSS

1. The Bible says that the earth was without form before God began creating. What do you think that was like?

2. On the fourth day, God established time and seasons. How does this affect you today?

3. God told the fish, birds, and animals to fill the earth. Why do you think it was important to God that the earth was full of His creatures?

4. God could have made an infinite number of every animal and plant, but instead He made them to have the ability to reproduce according to their own kind. Why do you think it was important that God made things to have the ability to reproduce themselves?

5. The Bible tells us that God created everything from nothing by speaking it into existence. What does this tell us about Who God is and about His power?

6. God repeatedly looked at His creation and said that it was good. What do you think this tell us about creation? What do you think it tells us about God?

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## MEMORY VERSES

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

Genesis 1:1-3

## QUIZ



1. What did God fill the seas and skies with?

- A. Fish    B. Birds    C. All living creatures that live in the sea    D. All of the above ◀

2. God created the sky on which day of creation?

- A. Day 1    B. Day 2 ◀    C. Day 3    D. Day 4

3. What are the first recorded words of God in the Bible?

- A. "Let there be light." ◀    B. "Let there be all things."    C. "Let Us create."    D. "Let there be an expanse."

4. What did God create on the sixth day of creation?

- A. Livestock    B. Every beast of the field    C. Creatures that crawl    D. All of the above ◀

5. Where did God place the stars?

- A. Everywhere    B. In the waters below    C. In the dry land    D. In the heavens ◀

6. Before God created anything, what was on the face of the deep?

- A. Quiet    B. Darkness ◀    C. Birds    D. Spirit



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7. What did God call the dry ground that appeared after He gathered the waters together?

- A. The ocean    B. The heavens    C. Land ◀    D. Dry

8. What did God bless the fish and birds to do?

- A. Be fruitful and multiply    B. Fill the earth    C. Fill the sky    D. All of the above ◀

9. What did God say about what He made?

- A. That it was good ◀    B. That it was wrong    C. That He liked it    D. That it was not very good

10. In how many days did God create everything?

- A. In one day    B. In three days    C. In six days ◀    D. In one year

## PRAY

Dear God, thank You for making our world beautiful and complex. Your power and glory are shown in all created things, and we can look around and see Your handiwork everywhere we turn. Help us to see You as the source of all that is good. Give us understanding as we hear Your Word and experience Your love and care for us through it. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# CREATION Pt. 2

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

God formed man out of the dust and breathed into him the breath of life. God spoke to Adam, saying, “Do not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for if you do, you will surely die.” With Adam’s rib God made a woman.

## PEOPLE

**ADAM:** Adam was the first human. God formed Adam from the dust of the earth and breathed life into his nostrils the breath of life, and he became a living being.

**EVE:** God made Eve from one of Adam’s ribs and brought her to him. When Adam saw Eve, he exclaimed, “This is bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh.” He called her “woman,” for she was taken out of man. Eve was the mother of all the living.

## PLACES

**EDEN:** Eden was the area where God planted a garden. God placed Adam there to tend and cultivate the garden.

**THE GARDEN:** The LORD God planted a garden toward the east in Eden where there were beautiful trees growing fruit that was good to eat. In the middle of the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God placed Adam there to tend the garden and to cultivate it.



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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Tend the Garden** | God instructed Adam to tend and cultivate the garden that was located in Eden.

**Do Not Eat** | God commanded Adam that, while he could eat of any tree in the garden, he was not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and that if he did, he would die.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Work** | God provided work for Adam in the garden God had planted.

**Authority** | God gave mankind dominion to rule over all living things.

**Companionship** | God provided Adam a suitable companion. Adam named her Eve, and she became Adam's wife and the mother of all the living.

**Food** | God provided Adam and Eve with plants and fruit for food.

**Reproduction** | God gave Adam and Eve the ability to reproduce and have children, so that they could fulfill God's command to be fruitful and multiply.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Abundant Life** | God blessed Adam and Eve to be fruitful, to multiply, and to fill the earth.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 2, "Creation (Part 2)."**

1. God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, after Our likeness; and let them have dominion." Then God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into him so that the man became a living being.
2. God planted a garden in Eden and placed the man, Adam, in the garden to take care of it.
3. In the garden, God caused beautiful trees to grow that produced fruit that was good to eat. In the garden were the tree of life and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.



# CREATION Pt. 2

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4. God told Adam he could eat from every tree in the garden, but not from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil because if he ate of that tree, he would die.
5. God brought all the animals and birds for Adam to name, but among all the animals, no suitable helper was found for Adam.
6. God said that it was not good for the man to be alone, and that He would make him a companion suitable for him.
7. God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, removed one of his ribs, and made it into a woman.
8. When Adam woke up and saw the woman he exclaimed that she was bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh. Because she was formed from man, she would be called woman.
9. So God created mankind in His Own image, male and female, and the man and the woman were naked, but not ashamed.
10. God blessed Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply, and to fill the earth and rule over it.
11. On the seventh day, God's creation of everything was finished and He rested on the seventh day from all His work. He blessed the seventh day and made it holy.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Life in the Garden

1. In Whose image or likeness does the Bible tell us God made mankind?

*Answer:* God made mankind in His Own image.

2. God put Adam in the garden in Eden. Name three things the Bible says were in this garden.

*Answer:* In the garden were beautiful trees bearing fruit that was good to eat, a river flowing out of the garden, the trees of life and knowledge of good and evil, and a mist rising from the earth to water the ground.

3. What did God put Adam in the garden to do?

*Answer:* God told Adam to tend the garden and to cultivate it.

4. What is the one thing Adam was forbidden to do in the garden?

*Answer:* Adam was forbidden from eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.



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## LESSON THREE **3**

### Creation of Eve

1. Why did God bring all the animals to Adam?

*Answer:* God brought all the animals to Adam so that he could name them.

2. What was not found among the animals God brought to Adam?

*Answer:* A suitable companion for Adam was not found among the animals.

3. How did God make the woman?

*Answer:* God put the man into a deep sleep, removed one of the man's ribs, and formed it into the woman.

4. What two things did Adam say when he saw the woman God had made?

*Answer:* When Adam saw the woman God made, he said, "You are bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh" and "Because you were formed from man, you will be called woman."

5. What did God bless Adam and Eve to do?

*Answer:* God blessed Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply, and to fill the earth and subdue it.

6. What did God do on the seventh day?

*Answer:* On the seventh day, God rested from all his work.

## DISCUSS

1. The Bible tells us that God said, "Let Us make man in Our Own image." What do you think this means? What does this tell us about what it means to be human?

2. God made humans to rule and have dominion over all the earth.

What do you think that means? What does it tell us about how God feels about creation?

3. God brought the animals to Adam so Adam could name the animals.

Do you think the animals were afraid of Adam? Why or why not?

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4. After each day of creation, God said it was good. But after God completed creation, including the creation of Adam and Eve, He said it was "very good." Why do you think we are told that God said His completed creation was "very good"?

5. What are some of the ways life in the garden in Eden was different from life today?

6. The Bible says God rested from all His work on the seventh day. Did God get tired and need to rest? Why do you think we are told that He rested?

## MEMORY VERSES

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Genesis 1:27-28

## QUIZ

1. What did God call "very good" in His creation?

- A. Day and night    B. The sun    C. Mankind    D. All that He had created ◀

2. Who gave the animals their names?

- A. God    B. Adam ◀    C. Eve    D. Adam and Eve

3. What did the LORD God form man out of?

- A. Clay    B. The dust of the ground ◀    C. The seed of a fruit tree    D. A rib

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4. Besides all the land animals, what did God create on the sixth day of creation?  
A. Birds    B. Plants    C. Fish    D. Mankind ◀
5. What was the first job that God gave Adam in the garden?  
A. To tend and cultivate the garden of Eden ◀    B. To name every animal  
C. To search for a mate    D. To plant a garden and name it Eden
6. Who was made in the image of God?  
A. The animals    B. Only Adam    C. Only Eve    D. Adam and Eve ◀
7. Who planted the garden in Eden?  
A. God ◀    B. Adam    C. Adam and Eve    D. The Bible does not say
8. What did God do on the seventh day of creation?  
A. He made the trees    B. He made people    C. He rested ◀    D. He spoke and created light
9. Adam and Eve did not feel what emotion about being naked?  
A. Happy    B. Confused    C. Angry    D. Ashamed ◀
10. God established that when a man and his wife unite, the two should do what?  
A. Separate from each other    B. Become as one ◀    C. Be ashamed    D. Be happy forever

## PRAY

Dear God, as we take care of the world, help us to remember that we are fearfully and wonderfully made. Help us also to look at the people around us and see them as You made them—in Your image. Break down barriers of hostility and help us love our neighbors as ourselves. Thank You for the gifts of marriage, companionship, and rest that You established from the very beginning. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE FALL

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

The serpent came to Eve, saying: “Did God really say not to eat of any tree in the garden?” She ate of the fruit of the tree and shared it with her husband who was with her. Their eyes were opened, and they hid from God’s presence.

## PEOPLE

**ADAM:** Adam was the first human that God created in His Own image. Adam disobeyed God by eating the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God judged Adam for what he had done.

**EVE:** Eve was the first woman God created in His Own image. Eve was deceived by the serpent and disobeyed God by eating the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God judged Eve for what she had done.

**THE SERPENT:** The serpent was craftier than any of the creatures God had made. The serpent was cursed by God to crawl on his belly and eat dust for the rest of his life. God told the serpent that an offspring of the woman would crush his head.

**THE CHERUBIM:** After Adam and Eve disobeyed and ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, God placed His cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden and a flaming sword that turned in every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.

## PLACES

**THE GARDEN IN EDEN:** God had placed Adam and Even in the garden that God had planted in Eden. It was there that the serpent tempted Eve to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. It is also where God walked in the cool of the day.



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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Clothing from God** | God made garments of animal skins and clothed Adam and Eve.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Coming Judgment and Restitution** | God promised that the head of the serpent would be crushed by one of Eve's offspring.

### GOD'S JUDGMENT

**On the Serpent** | God cursed the serpent for what he had done. The serpent would crawl on his belly and eat the dust of the earth. God put enmity between the serpent and the woman, and one day the woman's offspring would crush the serpent's head.

**On Eve** | God would multiply Eve's sorrow in childbearing, and she would give birth in great pain. Her desire would be for her husband, and he would rule over her.

**On Adam** | Because of what Adam did, he would have to work the ground for food in sorrow and sweat until he returned to the ground from which he was taken.

**The Ground** | God told Adam that the ground was cursed because of him. The ground would now produce thorns and thistles and man would have to work in pain for food.

**Exile from the Garden** | God drove Adam and Eve from the garden of Eden and placed His cherubim and a flaming sword to guard the way to the tree of life.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 3, "The Fall."

1. The serpent tempted Eve to eat fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
2. Eve saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food, pleasant-looking, and that it would help her gain wisdom.

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3. Eve ate the fruit and shared it with Adam who was with her, and he also ate the fruit.
4. Adam and Eve realized they were naked and felt ashamed.
5. Adam and Eve sewed together fig leaves to cover themselves, and hid from God.
6. God came to Adam and Eve and asked if they had eaten of the one tree He had commanded them not to eat from. Adam said that the woman God gave him had tempted him, and Eve said that the serpent had deceived her.
7. God cursed the serpent: it would crawl on its belly and eat the dust of the earth, and God would put enmity between the serpent and the woman, and between the serpent's offspring and the woman's offspring. One day an offspring of the woman would crush the serpent's head.
8. God pronounced judgment on Eve, and said that He would multiply Eve's sorrows in childbearing.
9. God pronounced judgment on Adam: the ground was cursed, and would produce thorns and thistles. Adam would now have to work for his food in sorrow and sweat, and one day he would die.
10. God made garments of animal skins and clothed Adam and Eve.
11. God drove Adam and Eve from the garden. He placed His cherubim and a flaming sword to guard its entrance.

## LESSON TWO 2

### The Temptation of Adam and Eve

1. How does the Bible describe the serpent?

*Answer:* The serpent was craftier than any of the creatures that the LORD God had made.

2. When speaking with Eve, name three ways the serpent cast doubt on God's command not to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

*Answer:* 1. The serpent questioned whether God really told them not to eat of the tree.

2. He contradicted God's words, saying that they would not die if they ate of the tree.

3. He told them that if they ate from that tree, their eyes would be opened and they would be like God, knowing good and evil.

3. What three things did Eve see about the tree that led her to take the fruit?

*Answer:* Eve saw that the tree was good for food, pleasant to the eyes, and desirable for gaining wisdom.

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## LESSON THREE **3**

### Judgment on Adam, Eve, and the Serpent

1. What were the four aspects of God's judgment that resulted from what Adam did?

*Answer:* 1. The ground would be cursed.

2. Adam would grow and eat food through great pain and toil.

3. The ground would produce thorns and thistles.

4. Adam would return to the dust from which he was made.

2. What two things would Eve experience because of what she did?

*Answer:* 1. God would multiply her sorrow in childbirth, and in great pains would Eve give birth.

2. Her desire would be for her husband, and he would rule over her.

3. God said the serpent would be cursed above all other living creatures.

Name three curses God placed on the serpent.

*Answer:* 1. The serpent would crawl on its belly and eat dust.

2. There would be hostility between the serpent and the woman, and between its offspring and hers.

3. The offspring of the woman would crush the head of the serpent.

4. What did God do after clothing Adam and Eve in animal skins?

*Answer:* God drove Adam and Eve out of the garden to work the ground from which the man had been taken.

## DISCUSS

1. When God called out to Adam and Eve in the garden, "Where are you?" do you think God actually knew where they were? Was God surprised when He found that they had eaten the fruit that they were not supposed to eat?

2. Adam and Eve brought sin into the world by disobeying God. Does every person born after Adam and Eve also sin?

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3. What do you think God meant when He referred to the offspring of Eve that would crush the head of the serpent?
4. The Bible tells us that God drove the man from the garden to work the ground from which he had been taken. How do you think Adam and Eve's life would be different outside the garden?
5. Why did God not allow Adam and Eve to live in the garden and eat from the tree of life after they disobeyed? Do you think this was a punishment, a protection, or both?
6. How did God show kindness to Adam and Eve?

## MEMORY VERSES

So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. He [God] drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

Genesis 3:6, 24

## QUIZ

1. Which of the following did the serpent say to Eve?
  - A. "Did God really say not to eat from any tree in the garden?"
  - B. "You will be like God."
  - C. "You will not surely die."
  - D. All of the above. ◀
2. How does the Bible describe the serpent?
  - A. Wise
  - B. Crafty ◀
  - C. Smart
  - D. Evil

# THE FALL

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3. What did God say would happen to Adam and Eve if they ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil?

- A. Adam and Eve would "surely die." ◀
- B. Adam and Eve would "forget everything they knew."
- C. Adam and Eve would "become like gods."
- D. Nothing. God only said "do not eat from the tree."

4. What did Eve notice about the tree of the knowledge of good and evil before she ate its fruit?

- A. The fruit was good for food.
- B. The fruit was pleasant to the eyes.
- C. The fruit was desirable for gaining wisdom.
- D. All of the above. ◀

5. Who was God speaking to when He said, "He will crush your head, and you will bruise his heel"?

- A. The serpent ◀
- B. Adam
- C. Eve
- D. God was talking to Himself

6. What happened first after Adam and Eve ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil?

- A. The serpent accused Adam and Eve of not loving God.
- B. Adam and Eve realized they were naked and hid from God. ◀
- C. All of creation groaned.
- D. Adam and Eve became very sick.

7. Who did Adam blame after eating the fruit?

- A. Eve and God ◀
- B. Just Eve
- C. The serpent
- D. Himself

8. What would Eve experience because of what she did?

- A. Eve would work the ground in toil and sorrow.
- B. Eve would eat dust all the days of her life.
- C. Eve would experience frustration.
- D. God multiplied her sorrow in childbearing. ◀

9. What did God make for Adam and Eve?

- A. Garments of fig leaves
- B. A house for them to live in
- C. Garments of animal skins ◀
- D. A fire to keep them warm

# THE FALL

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10. What was the punishment for Adam's disobedience?

- A. The ground would not give Adam food to eat.
- B. Adam would no longer have dominion.
- C. Adam would no longer be satisfied by the fruit of the trees.
- D. He would work the ground in sorrow and sweat. ◀

## PRAY

Dear God, as sin entered the world through Adam and Eve, mankind's relationship with You was broken. Though You punished disobedience, You also made a path forward to restore and redeem that broken relationship. You sent Jesus into the world to die for us on the cross and rise from the dead. Through this, You have made us Your children. Forgive us and strengthen us in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord. Amen.

An illustration of Cain and Abel. Cain is on the left, looking upwards with a shocked expression, his mouth wide open. Abel is on the right, looking towards Cain with a menacing, angry expression, his mouth open as if shouting or laughing. The background is a vibrant red with radiating lines, suggesting a dramatic or intense scene.

# CAIN & ABEL

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Adam and Eve had two sons: Cain and Abel. In the course of time, Cain and Abel brought offerings to the LORD. The LORD accepted Abel and his offering, but He did not accept Cain or his offering. Cain turned on his brother Abel and killed him.

## PEOPLE

**ADAM:** Adam was the first man, created in God's Own image. His wife was Eve, and he was the father of Cain, Abel, Seth, and other sons and daughters.

**EVE:** Eve was the first woman God created in His Own image. Her name signifies that she is mother of all the living. She was the wife of Adam, and the mother of Cain, Abel, Seth, and other sons and daughters.


**CAIN:** Cain was the firstborn son of Adam and Eve, and a worker of the ground. Cain killed his younger brother, Abel.

**ABEL:** Abel was the second-born son of Adam and Eve, and a keeper of sheep. Abel was murdered by his older brother, Cain.

**SETH:** After the death of Abel, Adam fathered another son, and Eve named him Seth. He was the third son born to Adam and Eve. Seth's son was Enosh.

**ENOSH:** Enosh was the son of Seth, the grandson of Adam and Eve.

**ENOCH:** After Cain left the presence of the LORD and settled in the land of Nod, he fathered a son named Enoch. Cain built a city and named it after his son, Enoch.

An illustration of Cain and Abel. Cain is on the left, looking upwards with a determined expression. Abel is on the right, looking towards Cain with a serious, intense gaze. The background is a vibrant red with radiating lines, suggesting a dramatic or intense scene.

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**LAMECH:** Lamech was a descendant of Cain, and he had two wives: Adah and Zillah. He killed a young man for striking him and proclaimed God's vengeance seventy and sevenfold on anyone who harmed him.

**ADAH:** Adah was a wife of Lamech, along with Zillah, and was the mother of Jabal and Jubal.

**JABAL:** Jabal was the son of Adah and Lamech, and the brother of Jubal. He was the father of those who lived in tents and raised livestock.

**JUBAL:** Jubal was the son of Adah and Lamech and the brother of Jabal. He was the father of those who played stringed instruments and pipes.

**ZILLAH:** Zillah was a wife of Lamech, along with Adah. She was the mother of Tubal-cain.

**TUBAL-CAIN:** Tubal-cain was the son of Zillah and Lamech. He made all kinds of tools out of bronze and iron.

## PLACES

**NOD:** The land of Nod was east of Eden. After Cain killed Abel, he went out from the LORD's presence and settled in Nod.

**ENOCH:** Enoch was a city built by Cain and named after his firstborn son.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Sons** | God blessed Adam and Eve with two sons, and after Cain killed Abel, God blessed them with another son named Seth.

**Children** | God blessed Adam and Eve with other sons and daughters.


**Obedience** | God told Cain that if he did what was good, he would be accepted.

**Protection** | After Cain killed Abel and was punished by God, God placed a mark on Cain so that no one who found him would kill him.

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Rule over Sin** | God instructed Cain to rule over the sin that desired to overtake him. Cain did not follow God's instruction and was instead overtaken by sin, and he killed his brother Abel.



An illustration of Cain and Abel. Cain is on the left, looking upwards with a determined expression. Abel is on the right, looking towards Cain with a serious, intense gaze. The background is a vibrant red with radiating lines, suggesting a dramatic or intense scene.

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## GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Cursed Ground** | Cain was cursed from the ground because he killed his brother. When Cain worked the ground, it would no longer produce food for him.

**Restless Wanderer** | God told Cain that he would be a restless wanderer on the earth.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 4, "Cain & Abel."**

1. Eve gave birth to two sons and named them Cain and Abel. Cain became a worker of the ground while Abel became a keeper of sheep.
2. Cain brought an offering of fruits of the ground while Abel brought an offering of the firstborn of his flock. God accepted Abel and his offering but did not accept Cain or his offering.
3. Cain became angry and God warned him not to sin in his anger.
4. Cain went to Abel, and while they were in the field, Cain killed his brother.
5. God passed judgment on Cain for killing Abel. Cain would now work the ground, but the ground would no longer produce food for him. Cain would roam the earth as a fugitive and a wanderer.
6. Cain pleaded with God, fearing that whoever found him would kill him. So the LORD placed a mark on Cain, so no one would kill him.
7. After the death of Abel, Adam fathered another son and Eve named him Seth.
8. Seth grew up and got married. He had a son named Enosh.
9. At that time, people began to call upon the name of the LORD.
10. Cain settled in Nod and built the city of Enoch, named after his son. Some of Cain's descendants learned to play musical instruments, while others became craftsmen, making bronze and iron tools.
11. Lamech, a descendant of Cain, killed a young man and told his two wives that if Cain's revenge was sevenfold, then his would be seventy and sevenfold.

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## LESSON TWO 2

### Two Offerings

1. What did Eve say when she gave birth to her son, Cain?

*Answer:* Eve said, "I have given birth to a man with the help of the LORD."

2. What did Cain bring as an offering to the LORD?

*Answer:* Cain brought an offering to the LORD from the produce of the ground.

3. What did Abel bring as an offering to the LORD?

*Answer:* Abel brought an offering to the LORD from the firstborn of his sheep.

4. Whose offering did God accept? Whose did He not accept?

*Answer:* The LORD accepted Abel's offering, but He did not accept Cain's offering.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Lessons from Cain

1. How did Cain respond when the LORD did not accept him or his offering?

*Answer:* Cain became very angry, and his countenance fell.

2. What did God say would happen if Cain did what was good?

*Answer:* God said that if Cain did what was good, he would be accepted.

3. What did God say sin is doing if Cain did not do what is good?

*Answer:* God told Cain that if he did not do what was good, sin would be crouching at the door, desiring to overtake him.

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4. God told Cain that in order for sin not to overtake him, Cain must do what?

*Answer:* Cain must rule over sin.

5. Did Cain rule over sin?

*Answer:* No, Cain did not rule over the sin that was crouching at the door. He turned on his brother Abel and killed him.

## DISCUSS

1. Why did God accept Abel and his offering and not Cain and his offering?

2. Why was Cain angry with his brother Abel? Did Abel do anything wrong?

3. When God said to Cain, "If you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it," what was God warning him about?

4. Why did God ask Cain where his brother was when He knew the answer?

5. Cain asked, "Am I my brother's keeper?" Do you think Cain was supposed to be his brother's keeper? What do you think it means to be someone's keeper?

6. What was the mark God placed on Cain, and why did He protect Cain in this way?

## MEMORY VERSES

The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you, but you must rule over it."

Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him.

Genesis 4:6-8

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## QUIZ



1. What kind of work did Cain do?

- A. Cain worked the ground  B. Cain tended the sheep  
C. Cain made pottery  D. Cain gathered wood

2. What kind of work did Abel do?

- A. Abel played instruments.  B. Abel worked the ground.   
C. Abel tended sheep.  D. Abel fished in the river.

3. What was the first thing God said to Cain after he killed his brother Abel?

- A. "Where is your brother Abel?"  B. "Where have you been?"   
C. "Sin desires to overtake you. You must rule over it."  D. "I will make you a fugitive and a wanderer."

4. How did Cain respond when God asked him about his brother?

- A. "Abel is gone and will not return to this place."  B. "I do not know. I have not seen Abel."   
C. "I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper?"  D. "Am I the Lord? How could I know where my brother is?"

5. What punishment did God give Cain?

- A. Cain was cursed from the very ground which received Abel's blood.   
B. When Cain worked the ground, it would not yield food.   
C. Cain would roam the earth as a fugitive and a wanderer.   
D. All of the above.

6. Which of the following is a son of Cain?

- A. Seth  B. Adam  C. Enoch  D. Methuselah

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7. When Cain cried out for mercy, what did God do?

- A. God sent an angel to protect Cain so that no one would harm him.
- B. God removed Cain's punishment for killing Abel.
- C. God ignored Cain's cries for mercy.
- D. God put a mark on Cain so that no one would kill him. ◀

8. After the death of Abel, Adam had another son in his likeness. What did Eve name him?

- A. Mahalalel
- B. Seth ◀
- C. Lamech
- D. Enosh

9. After leaving the presence of the LORD, Cain settled in the land of \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Eden
- B. Nod ◀
- C. Canaan
- D. Bethel

10. Who killed a man and claimed God's revenge of seventy and sevenfold?

- A. Lamech ◀
- B. Cain
- C. Seth
- D. Adam

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, it is amazing to see the grace that You extended to Cain. Thank You for treating us with the same kindness. Though we have sinned, You have offered us forgiveness. Help us to turn away from evil and turn toward You. Do not let sin overtake us. Help us to rule over it. Open our hearts, Lord, to Your Word and the grace that You freely give us in Jesus Christ. Amen.



# THE GREAT FLOOD Pt. 1

Genesis | Episode 5

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

God saw that the people on earth were very wicked. Noah found favor with God. God gave him instructions to build an ark. He gathered all the animals, his family, and enough food, and entered the ark. It rained on the earth 40 days and 40 nights.

## PEOPLE

**THE SONS OF GOD:** The sons of God saw that the daughters of men were attractive and married them as they pleased. The sons of God are thought by some to be the sons of Seth. Others believe that the sons of God refer to angelic beings.

**THE DAUGHTERS OF MEN:** The daughters of men were attractive, and the sons of God married some of the daughters of men and had offspring with them.

**NEPHILIM:** The Nephilim were mighty men of old, men of renown, and were on the earth in the days of Noah. The Bible does not tell us specifically who the Nephilim were, but they are believed by some to be the offspring of the sons of God and the daughters of men.

**NOAH:** Noah was a direct descendant from Seth through eight generations. He found favor with God because he walked with God. He followed God's instructions to build an ark. Noah and his wife had three sons who, with their wives, would go on to repopulate the whole earth.

**ENOSH:** Enosh was the son of Seth and the grandson of Adam. Enosh's son was Kenan.

**KENAN:** Kenan was the son of Enosh and the grandson of Seth. Kenan's son was Mahalalel.

**MAHALALEL:** Mahalalel was the son of Kenan and the grandson of Enosh. Mahalalel's son was Jared.

**JARED:** Jared was the son of Mahalalel and the grandson of Kenan. Jared's son was Enoch.

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**ENOCH:** Enoch was the son of Jared and the grandson of Mahalalel. Enoch's son was Methuselah. This Enoch is a different person from Cain's son, Enoch. In Genesis 5:24, the Bible tells us that Enoch walked with God and then was not, because God took him away.

**METHUSELAH:** Methuselah was the son of Enoch and the grandson of Jared. His son was Lamech. The Bible records Methuselah as having the longest life of anyone who ever lived.

**LAMECH:** Lamech was the son of Methuselah and the grandson of Enoch. Lamech was Noah's father, and grandfather of Shem, Ham, and Japheth. Noah's father, Lamech, is not the same Lamech described in Episode 4.

**SHEM:** Shem is believed to be Noah's second-born son and one of the eight people to be on the ark and survive the flood.

**HAM:** Ham was Noah's youngest son and one of the eight people to be on the ark and survive the flood.

**JAPHETH:** Japheth was believed to be Noah's firstborn son and one of the eight people to be on the ark and survive the flood.

**WIVES OF THE SONS OF NOAH:** Shem, Ham, and Japheth each had a wife. The Bible does not record the names of the wives of Noah's sons. They and Noah's sons repopulated the earth after the flood was over.

**NOAH'S WIFE:** The wife of Noah. The Bible does not record the name of Noah's wife. She went on the ark with Noah and her three sons and their wives.

## PLACES

**ALL THE EARTH:** The wickedness of the people on the earth had grown so great that God decided to destroy all life everywhere on the earth. The Bible does not tell us more specifically where Noah lived or where he built the ark.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Build an Ark** | God told Noah how to make the ark to keep Noah's family and the animals safe.

**Enter the Ark** | God told Noah to enter the ark with the animals, his family, and enough food for everyone.

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## GOD'S PROVISION

**Family** | God allowed the family to have community and companionship with each other while it rained and flooded the earth.

**Food** | God told Noah to gather enough food for his family and all the animals.

**The Ark's Door** | God shut the door of the ark Himself, with Noah's family and the animals inside. He made sure everyone in the ark was safe.

**Skill** | God had blessed Noah with the skills and understanding to build an ark that would safely carry his family and all the animals.

## GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Lifespan** | God said He would limit the lifespan of humans to 120 years.

**Death for the Wicked** | God judged the whole earth for the wickedness of the people He had made, who had become very violent and evil. All people, animals, everything that crawled, and birds died in the flood, except Noah's family and the animals that were gathered onto the ark.

## GOD'S PROMISE

**Covenant** | God promised Noah that He would establish His covenant with Noah and his family because Noah was not given to wickedness like other men, but was righteous before the LORD.

# LEADER'S GUIDE

## LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 5, "The Great Flood (Part 1)."

1. The sons of God intermarried with the daughters of men.
2. God said that people's lifespan would now be 120 years.
3. God saw how wicked the men on earth had become, and regretted making mankind. He said that He would destroy all living things on the earth.



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4. God told Noah that because of the violence of mankind, God would destroy all the people, animals, and all living things on the earth.
5. God told Noah to build the ark to save Noah's family and some of all the animals. The flood would destroy the earth, but God would save Noah and his family and the animals on the ark. God would make a covenant with Noah because Noah was not violent like the other men.
6. God told Noah to gather some of every animal into the ark to keep them alive to repopulate the earth, and to gather food for Noah's family and the animals.
7. Noah did what God told him to do and entered the ark with his family and all the animals.
8. God closed the door of the ark.
9. It rained for 40 days and 40 nights.
10. Everything that lived on the earth died, except Noah and those who were in the ark.

## LESSON TWO 2

### What Can We Learn from Noah?

1. What does the Bible say about what people were like before the flood?

*Answer:* The Bible tells us that people had become wicked on the earth, and the thoughts of the human heart were only evil all the time.

2. What are three things we are told about Noah at the beginning of this story?

*Answer:* 1. Noah found favor with the LORD.

2. He walked with God.

3. He was a direct descendant from Seth through eight generations.

3. What two things did God promise Noah He would do for him?

*Answer:* God promised Noah that:

1. He would establish His covenant with him.

2. He would save Noah and his family in the ark.

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## LESSON THREE 3

### What Do We Learn About God?

1. Name three responses of God to the wickedness of the people and the corruption of the earth.

*Answer:* 1. God regretted that He had created mankind, and it grieved Him in His heart.

2. God decided to destroy mankind but save Noah and animals in the ark.

3. God brought the floodwaters over the earth.

2. According to the LORD, how was Noah different from the other people on the earth at the time?

*Answer:* The LORD said that Noah was not given to wickedness like other men.

3. What did God do once Noah, his family, and the animals had entered the ark?

*Answer:* God closed the door of the ark.

## DISCUSS

1. The Bible says that one hundred years passed between God telling Noah to build the ark and the ark being complete. Imagine what it was like for Noah to build an ark over a period of one hundred years. What do you think Noah's community thought about the ark?

2. Noah's family had to believe Noah in order to enter the ark with him. How do you think Noah's family felt when Noah told them what was going to happen?

3. Noah had no experience with a flood on this scale, and he would not have fully understood what the flood would have been like. What are all the ways Noah and his family would have had to trust God as they prepared for the flood?

4. What do you think it was like for Noah and his family to take care of all the animals on the ark?

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5. What does the story of the flood tell us about God's attitude toward violence and wickedness?
6. In the story of Noah and the great flood, there is a lot of death. Where do you see God's compassion?

## MEMORY VERSES

And God saw the earth, and behold, it was corrupt, for all flesh had corrupted their way on the earth. And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence through them. Behold, I will destroy them with the earth."

Genesis 6:12-13

## QUIZ



1. Why did God decide to flood the earth?  
A. God saw that the people on earth were wicked.  
B. God saw that the intentions of men's hearts were only evil.  
C. The earth was filled with violence.  
D. All of the above. ◀
2. Among all the wicked people of the earth, who found favor with the LORD God?  
A. Abel      B. Noah ◀      C. Ham      D. Seth
3. How old was Noah when he entered the ark?  
A. 60 years old      B. 100 years old      C. 500 years old      D. 600 years old ◀
4. Noah was a direct descendant of which of Adam and Eve's children?  
A. Seth ◀      B. Cain      C. Abel      D. Shem

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5. What kind of wood was Noah instructed to use to build the ark?  
A. Gopher ◀ B. Maple C. Cedar D. God did not specify.
6. Which of the following is NOT the name of one of the sons of Noah?  
A. Shem B. Ham C. Japheth D. Adam ◀
7. How did the people respond to Noah building the ark?  
A. The wicked people mocked and scorned him.  
B. We are not told. ◀  
C. There were a great number who repented of their evil and cried out to God for deliverance.  
D. Their wickedness increased, and they turned their eyes away from the LORD.
8. Who was in the ark with Noah?  
A. His wife B. His sons C. His sons' wives D. All of the above ◀
9. Who closed the door of the ark?  
A. Noah's sons B. God ◀ C. Noah's wife D. Noah
10. After the door of the ark was closed, how much time passed before it began to rain on the earth?  
A. It began to rain immediately B. Two days C. Seven days ◀ D. Forty days

## PRAY

Dear God, thank You for the faithfulness of Noah, through whom You saved people and animals from the flood. Help us to be faithful to You in our lives as well. Keep us set apart from the wickedness of the world and preserve us from all harm and danger. Help us to trust in Jesus Christ, through Whom You save all who believe. In His name we pray. Amen.



# THE GREAT FLOOD Pt. 2

Genesis | Episode 6

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

God remembered Noah and all the animals in the ark. The waters began to recede. God established His covenant with Noah, Noah's family, and every creature on earth, that never again would all living things be destroyed by a flood. God set His bow in the clouds as a sign of His covenant.

## PEOPLE

**NOAH:** Noah was found to be a righteous man when all the earth was filled with evil. Noah followed God's instructions to build an ark in order to save his family and pairs of all the animals to repopulate the earth. Noah built an altar to the LORD and offered sacrifices. He also built a vineyard and became drunk on the wine and fell asleep naked in his tent.

**SHEM:** Shem is believed to be Noah's second-born son and one of the eight people to survive the flood on the ark. When Noah got drunk and was naked in his tent, Shem and his brother Japheth walked backward to cover Noah up with a garment, and did not look on their father's shame.

**HAM:** Ham was Noah's youngest son. He was with Noah on the ark during the flood. After the flood was over, Ham looked upon Noah's nakedness while he was drunk in his tent. As a result, Noah cursed Ham's son Canaan.

**JAPHETH:** Japheth was believed to be Noah's firstborn son. He was one of the eight people to be on the ark and survive the flood. When Noah got drunk and was naked in his tent, Japheth and his brother Shem walked backward and covered Noah up with a garment, and did not look on their father's shame.

**WIVES OF THE SONS OF NOAH:** We are not told the names of Noah's sons' wives. These women came with their husbands, Noah's sons, on the ark. When the flood was over, they helped repopulate the earth.



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**NOAH'S WIFE:** The Bible does not tell us the name of Noah's wife. She was one of eight people who survived the flood on the ark with Noah, their three sons, and the sons' wives.

**CANAAN:** Canaan was the youngest son of Ham. Noah cursed Canaan because Ham looked on Noah's nakedness when he was drunk and naked in his tent.

## PLACES

**THE MOUNTAINS OF ARARAT:** As the floodwaters went down, the ark that carried Noah's family and the animals came to rest on the mountains of Ararat.

**THE WHOLE EARTH:** After the flood, God commanded Noah and his sons to repopulate the earth. God promised that He would never again curse the ground because of mankind, or destroy all living things with a flood.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Come Out from the Ark** | After a year on the ark, God spoke to Noah, and told him to come out from the ark with his family and all the animals.

**Be Fruitful and Multiply** | God told Noah and his family to be fruitful and multiply, and to fill the earth and multiply on it.

### GOD'S LAW

**Concerning Murder** | God said that if anyone sheds man's blood his blood should be shed, for God made mankind in His Own image.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**A Wind** | God made a wind to blow over the earth, so that the waters began to recede.

**Food** | Before the flood, God had given mankind plants to eat. Now after the flood, God gave every living thing to mankind for food.

**Materials** | Plants and trees began to regrow, providing materials for Noah and his family that were needed to rebuild on the earth.



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**Ability to Have Children** | Noah's three sons and their wives did not have children when they entered the ark, but God blessed them to be fruitful and multiply after the flood.

## GOD'S BLESSING

**Replenish the Earth** | After Noah came out of the ark and sacrificed to God, God blessed Noah and his sons and told them to be fruitful and multiply and replenish the whole earth.

**Long Life** | Noah lived a total of 950 years.

## GOD'S PROMISE

**God's Covenant** | After Noah came out of the ark and sacrificed to God, God promised that He would never again curse the ground because of mankind, and never again destroy all living things.

**God's Bow** | God set His bow in the cloud to be a sign of the covenant between Him and the earth, that the waters would never again destroy all living beings.

# LEADER'S GUIDE

## LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 6, "The Great Flood (Part 2)."

1. God remembered Noah, his family, and all the animals in the ark. He made a wind to blow over the earth, so that the waters began to go down.
2. As the flood waters began to go down, the ark came to rest upon the mountains of Ararat.
3. Noah released a raven and a dove to test whether the flood waters had subsided. The third time the dove was released, she did not return.
4. Noah removed the covering of the ark, looked out, and saw that the surface of the ground was dry.
5. God told Noah to come out from the ark along with his family and all the animals.
6. After leaving the ark, Noah built an altar and offered burnt offerings to the LORD.
7. The Lord said in His heart that He would never again curse the ground because of mankind, or destroy all living things.

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8. The LORD God blessed Noah and his sons and told them to be fruitful and multiply, and to replenish the earth.
9. God gave all the animals, birds, and fish to mankind for food.
10. God told Noah that whoever shed man's blood, by man should his blood be shed, because God made mankind in His Own image.
11. God put His bow in the cloud as a sign of the covenant between Him and the earth.
12. Noah planted a vineyard, and after drinking the wine, he became drunk and fell asleep naked in his tent. Noah's youngest son, Ham, looked upon his father's nakedness, and told his two brothers. Ham's older brothers walked backward into their father's tent with a garment to cover Noah's naked body.
13. When Noah woke up and learned what Ham had done, he cursed Ham's youngest son Canaan, but he blessed Japheth and Shem.
14. After the flood, Noah lived another 350 years. Altogether, Noah lived 950 years.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Lessons from Noah and His Family

1. Why did Noah send out a raven and then a dove from the ark?

*Answer:* To see if the raven or dove would find any dry land.

2. What did Noah learn when the dove came back with an olive branch? What did Noah learn when the dove did not return?

*Answer:* When the dove came back with the olive leaf, it meant that the dove had found dry ground and vegetation. When the dove did not come back, Noah knew that the dove had found food and shelter.

3. What was the first thing Noah did when he came out of the ark?

*Answer:* The first thing Noah did after coming off the ark was to build an altar to the LORD and offer burnt offerings on the altar from every clean animal.

4. How did God respond to Noah's sacrifice?

*Answer:* The LORD smelled the sweet aroma of Noah's sacrifice and said in His heart that He would never again destroy all living beings with a flood.





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**5. How did Noah's sons obey God in these events?**

*Answer:* Noah's sons obeyed God's command to be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth. All people on the earth are descended from these three sons of Noah and their wives.

**6. Why did Noah curse Ham's youngest son, Canaan?**

*Answer:* Noah cursed Canaan because Ham looked on his father's nakedness and told his brothers.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Lessons About God

**1. Who did God make the covenant with?**

*Answer:* God established His covenant with Noah, with his descendants after him, and with every living creature that came out of the ark with Noah.

**2. What new command did God give Noah concerning the shedding of man's blood?**

*Answer:* God made a command that whoever shed man's blood, by man his blood would be shed.

**3. What was the sign of the covenant that God established between Himself and His creation?**

*Answer:* The sign of the covenant was a bow in the clouds.

**4. What did God say He would remember when He saw His bow in the clouds?**

*Answer:* God would remember the covenant He made between Himself and mankind and every living creature to never again destroy the earth with a flood.

## DISCUSS

**1. Noah and his family were on the ark for over a year, with thousands of animals. How do you think Noah and his family felt by the end of the year? How do you think they felt when God finally told them they could come out of the ark?**

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2. What do you think it was like for Noah and his family to come off the ark to a world that had been totally destroyed and know that they were the only people on the earth?
3. The earth was destroyed because of evil and violence. Do you think Noah's family worried that evil would come on the earth again? Why or why not?
4. God's command concerning murder was, "Whoever sheds man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed." Why do you think God said this now, after the flood?
5. God made a covenant with His whole creation to never destroy all living things with a flood, and He blessed Noah and his sons to be fruitful and multiply. What does this tell us about what God wants for His creation?
6. Why do you think Noah cursed Ham's youngest son Canaan? Was this the right thing to do? Why or why not?

## MEMORY VERSES

"I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh."

Genesis 9:13-15

## QUIZ

1. How long was it from when the flood began to when the ark came to rest on the mountain?  
A. 40 days    B. 150 days ◀    C. 15 months    D. 2 years
2. When the flood waters began to recede, the ark came to rest on which mountains?  
A. Horeb    B. Sinai    C. Ararat ◀    D. Calvary

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3. What was the first bird that Noah released from the window of the ark?

- A. Pigeon      B. Dove      C. Raven ◀      D. Hawk

4. How many times did Noah send out the dove?

- A. Five times      B. Two times      C. One time      D. Three times ◀

5. What did Noah do after he left the ark?

- A. Noah wept tears of joy.      B. Noah built a city and a tower.  
C. Noah built a house.      D. Noah built an altar to the LORD. ◀

6. What did God tell Noah following the flood?

- A. That He would never again destroy all living things with a flood. ◀  
B. To take apart the ark.  
C. That Noah's son would one day bring great shame to him.  
D. That Noah should follow God all the days of his life.

7. After the flood, what did God give to mankind to eat for food?

- A. Fish of the sea      B. Birds of the air      C. Beasts of the field      D. All of the above ◀

8. What was the sign of the covenant that God established with Noah and his descendants and all living things?

- A. God commanded all people to rest on the seventh day from all of their work.  
B. God created clothes for them to wear from animal skins.  
C. God commanded Noah to build Him a tower of remembrance.  
D. God set his bow in the clouds. ◀

9. Which of his grandsons did Noah curse?

- A. Canaan ◀      B. Ham      C. Shem      D. Japheth

10. What reason did God give to Noah for this rule: "Whoever sheds man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed."

- A. For God is just and He desires justice in all the earth.      B. For God made mankind in His own image. ◀  
C. For God does not desire the death of mankind, but life.      D. For God desires that all mankind be saved.



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## PRAY

Heavenly Father, You saved Your creation from the flood by a powerful act of mercy. Thank You for Your covenant with every living creature, that You will never destroy all living beings by a flood again. Thank You for the rainbow, that we can see a visible sign of Your care for all living things. Help us to repent and trust in You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE TOWER OF BABEL

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

The people settled in the land of Shinar, desiring to make a name for themselves. The LORD said that the people were united and that nothing would be impossible for them. So, He went down and confused their language. The LORD scattered the people over the earth, and the building stopped.

## PEOPLE

**THE SONS OF NOAH:** After the Great Flood, the three sons of Noah and their wives began to repopulate the earth.

**NOAH:** Noah was the father of Shem, Ham, and Japheth, who repopulated the earth after the Great Flood.

**NIMROD:** Nimrod was a mighty man, a leader among men, and a fierce hunter before the LORD. Nimrod's kingdom included Babel in the land of Shinar.

**CUSH:** Cush was Ham's son and Nimrod's father.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE EARTH:** The descendants of Noah's three sons and their wives. They spoke one language, and they traveled from the east and found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. They wanted to make a name for themselves, so they built a city and a great tower that they wanted to reach to the heavens.

## PLACES

**BABEL:** Babel was in the land of Shinar. Nimrod's kingdom included the city and tower of Babel. It was called Babel because it was there that God confused the language of the people.

**SHINAR:** Shinar was the beginning of Nimrod's kingdom. It was the place where the people of the earth settled in order to make a name for themselves.

**THE EARTH:** God told the people to repopulate the whole earth, but they wanted to gather together and build a name for themselves. God scattered the people over the earth by confusing their languages.

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Repopulate the Earth** | After Noah and his family and all the animals came out of the ark, God instructed them to be fruitful and multiply and repopulate the earth.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Land** | God gave the people the whole earth in which to be fruitful and multiply.

**Skills** | God gave the people the skills they needed to build places to live.

**Materials** | God gave the people raw resources they could use to make bricks and mortar, so that they could make houses and cities.

### GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Language** | God confused the people's language so that they were unable to continue building the great city and the great tower.

**Resettlement** | The LORD scattered the people over the face of the earth.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 7, "The Tower of Babel."**

1. The sons of Noah and their wives began to repopulate the earth after the Great Flood was over.
2. The people of the earth spoke one language, and they settled in Shinar, desiring to make a name for themselves.
3. The people decided to build a great city, and a tower whose top would reach up to the heavens.
4. The LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the people were building.
5. The LORD said that because the people were united with one language, nothing they set out to accomplish would be impossible for them.
6. The LORD said that He would confuse the language of the people so that they would not be able to understand each other.
7. The LORD scattered the people all over the earth. The people stopped building the city and the tower. The city was called "Babel" because God confused their language and scattered the people.

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## LESSON TWO 2

### What We Can Learn from the People

1. When the people came to the land of Shinar, they wanted to make a name for themselves. What did they decide to build in order to do this?

*Answer:* The people decided to build a great city with a tower that would reach to the heavens.

2. How high did the people want the tower to be?

*Answer:* The people wanted the tower to reach to the heavens.

3. What two reasons did the people give for settling in the land of Shinar?

*Answer:* The people settled in Shinar and began building the tower

1. to make a name for themselves
2. because they did not want to be scattered over the face of the earth.

## LESSON THREE 3

### God's Response to the Tower of Babel

1. What did God come down to see in the land of Shinar?

*Answer:* God came down to see the great city and tower that the people were building.

2. What three things did God say when He came down and saw the people's city and tower?

*Answer:* God said that:

1. The people were united.
2. They shared one language.
3. Nothing they set out to accomplish would be impossible for them.

3. What did God do in response to the people building the city and the tower?

*Answer:* God confused the people's language so they could not understand each other and scattered them over the face of the earth.

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## DISCUSS

1. Why do you think God wanted the people to scatter over the earth instead of settling in one place?
2. Why do you think the people did not want to scatter across the whole earth as God had instructed?
3. Why do you think the people wanted the tower to reach to the heavens?
4. When God saw the city and the tower the people were building, He said, “Now nothing they set out to accomplish will be impossible for them.” Why do you think this was a concern for God?
5. What do you think it was like for the people to suddenly discover that they could not communicate with one another?
6. What does this story tell us about the difference between working with God and His purposes, and working against God and His purposes?

## MEMORY VERSES

[The LORD said,] “Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another’s speech.”

So the LORD dispersed them from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore its name was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth. And from there the LORD dispersed them over the face of all the earth.

Genesis 11:7-9



# THE TOWER OF BABEL

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## QUIZ



1. Why did the people settle in the land of Shinar?  
A. They desired to make a name for themselves.  
B. They desired to build a great city.  
C. They did not want to be scattered all over the face of the earth.  
D. All of the above. ◀
2. Who was known as a mighty man, a leader among men, and a fierce hunter?  
A. Shem      B. Ham      C. Nimrod ◀      D. Japheth
3. What city was in Nimrod's kingdom?  
A. Babel ◀      B. Gerar      C. Ur      D. Cush
4. Fill in the blank: "At that time, the people of the earth spoke \_\_\_\_\_ language(s)."  
A. Ten      B. Three      C. One ◀      D. Thirty
5. What did the people begin to build in the land of Shinar?  
A. A fortress      B. A great city and a tower ◀  
C. A palace      D. A temple
6. What did God say when He came down to see their city and tower?  
A. God did not say anything, but cast the tower down to the ground.  
B. God said that the people were united, sharing one language, and that nothing they set out to do would be impossible for them. ◀  
C. God said that the people honored themselves instead of seeking Him.  
D. God said that He would bless those who bless Him and curse those who curse Him.
7. What did God do to stop the building of the tower?  
A. He confused their language. ◀      B. He cast down the tower.  
C. He destroyed their building materials.      D. He changed the hearts of the people.

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8. What happened when God confused the language of the people?

- A. The people left the tower and went each to their own homes.
- B. The people were angry with the LORD their God.
- C. The people stayed in the tower, desiring to make a name for themselves.
- D. The people were scattered over the face of the earth, as God had originally instructed. ◀

9. Where was the city and tower of Babel located?

- A. In the garden of Eden
- B. In the land of Shinar ◀
- C. In Canaan
- D. On the Mountains of Ararat

10. How did the city and tower of Babel get its name?

- A. Because it was there that the people tried to build a tower that would reach to the heavens.
- B. Because it was there that the people tried to make a name for themselves.
- C. Because it was there that the people refused to scatter over the face of the earth.
- D. Because it was there that God confused their language and scattered the people over the face of the earth. ◀

## PRAY

Dear God, You called Your creation to be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth, and we see how the people of Shinar, by not living according to Your commands, fell so easily into sin and self-righteousness. Help us to follow Your law and listen to Your voice.

Help us to reach all tribes, tongues, and nations with the message of the Gospel.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE CALL OF ABRAM

Genesis | Episode 8

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

God called Abram out from Ur and promised to make him a great nation. Abram traveled to Canaan but a famine forced Abram and Sarai to go to Egypt. Abram told Sarai to tell the Egyptians that she was his sister, for fear that they would kill him.

## PEOPLE

**SHEM:** Shem was one of Noah's three sons and the father of Arpachshad.

**ARPACHSHAD:** Arpachshad was the son of Shem and the father of Shelah.

**SHELAH:** Shelah was the son of Arpachshad and the father of Eber.

**EBER:** Eber was the son of Shelah and the father of Peleg.

**PELEG:** Peleg was the son of Eber and the father of Reu.

**REU:** Reu was the son of Peleg and the father of Serug.

**SERUG:** Serug was the son of Reu and the father of Nahor.

**NAHOR:** Nahor was the son of Serug and the father of Terah.

This Nahor is not the same Nahor as Terah's son and Abram's brother.

**TERAH:** Terah was the son of Nahor, father of Abram, Nahor, and Haran, and grandfather of Lot.

**ABRAM:** Abram was Terah's son, and husband of Sarai. God called Abram to leave his country so that God could make of him a great nation, and make his name great, so that he would be a blessing to all nations.

**NAHOR:** Nahor was Terah's son, brother to Abram and Haran, and husband to Milcah.

**HARAN:** Haran was Terah's son, Abram's brother, and Lot's father.



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**LOT:** Lot was the son of Haran, and Abram's nephew. Lot was part of Abram's household and traveled with Abram when he traveled to Canaan.

**SARAI:** Sarai was Abram's wife. She left the land of Ur with her husband, Abram, and their whole household traveled toward Canaan. She was barren, and without child.

**MILCAH:** Milcah was Nahor's wife.

**THE PRINCES OF PHARAOH:** The princes of Pharaoh saw that Sarai was very beautiful and told Pharaoh about her.

**PHARAOH:** Pharaoh was the highest ruler in Egypt, and he took Sarai into his palace as his wife. He did not know she was Abram's wife.

## PLACES

**UR OF THE CHALDEANS:** Ur is the country where Abram and his family lived before God called him to leave. Ur is where Abram's brother, Haran, died, and where God first appeared to Abram.

**HARAN:** Abram and his family settled in Haran on their way to Canaan. Terah, Abram's father, died in Haran at the age of 205.

**CANAAN:** God told Abram to leave his father's country and go to the land of Canaan.

**SHECHEM:** Abram traveled to Shechem, which was in Canaan. It was there that the LORD appeared to Abram, at the Oak of Moreh.

**OAK OF MOREH:** As Abram traveled through Canaan, he passed through Shechem to the Oak of Moreh, and built an altar to the LORD.

**THE HILLS EAST OF BETHEL:** Abram went to the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent, and there built another altar and called on the name of the LORD.

**THE NEGEB:** Abram traveled toward the Negeb, but because of the famine, he went to Egypt instead.

**EGYPT:** Abram traveled to Egypt because of the famine. In Egypt, Sarah was taken into Pharaoh's palace but was released after God sent great plagues on Pharaoh's house.

**PHARAOH'S HOUSE:** Sarai was taken into Pharaoh's house to be Pharaoh's wife.

After God sent plagues on the house of Pharaoh, Abram and Sarai were sent away.



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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Go to a New Land** | God told Abram to go out from his country, away from his kindred, away from his father's house, and to go to the land that God would show Abram.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Abram's Household** | God blessed Abram with his wife, Sarai, and nephew, Lot, and provided Abram with servants, cattle, and many possessions.

**Pharaoh's Gifts** | Pharaoh treated Abram very well and gave him sheep, cattle, donkeys, camels, and male and female servants.

**Great Possessions** | God allowed Abram and Sarai to leave Egypt with great possessions and all the persons who came in with them.

**Sarai's Return** | God did not allow Sarai to remain in the house of Pharaoh. He plagued Pharaoh and his people until Pharaoh realized the truth and gave Sarai back to Abram.

### GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Curses** | God promised Abram that He would curse those who curse Abram.

**Plagues** | God plagued Pharaoh's household with great plagues because he had taken Sarai as his wife.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**A Great Nation** | God promised Abram that He would bless him, and make him into a great nation.

**Blessing** | God promised Abram that He would bless those who bless Abram, and curse those who curse him.

**A Blessing to the Nations** | God promised Abram that in Abram all the families of the earth would be blessed.

**Land** | God promised Abram that He would give the land of Canaan to Abram's descendants.

### GOD'S PROTECTION

**Abram's Life** | God protected Abram during their time in Egypt. He did not allow Abram to be killed on Sarai's behalf.



# THE CALL OF ABRAM

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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 8, "The Call of Abram."**

1. Abram had a wife named Sarai, and she was unable to have children.
2. The LORD told Abram to leave his country and go to the land that He would show him. God told him that He would make Abram into a great nation. Terah took his family away from Ur and settled in Haran.
3. After his father, Terah, died, Abram gathered his household and traveled toward Canaan, as the LORD had instructed him.
4. The LORD appeared to Abram and said that He would give this land to his descendants, and Abram built an altar to the LORD.
5. Abram traveled to the hills east of Bethel and pitched his tent. He built another altar there, and called on the name of the LORD.
6. Abram, along with his household, traveled to Egypt because of a severe famine in the land.
7. Abram was afraid that when the Egyptians saw his wife, Sarai, they would kill him and take Sarai. So Abram told Sarai to say that she was Abram's sister while they were in Egypt.
8. When Abram and Sarai arrived in Egypt, the Egyptians noticed that Sarai was very beautiful, and Sarai was taken into Pharaoh's palace. Pharaoh treated Abram very well and gave him many animals and servants.
9. The LORD afflicted Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, the wife of Abram.
10. When Pharaoh learned that Sarai was Abram's wife, he asked Abram why he had said that Sarai was his sister. Pharaoh sent Abram away, along with his wife and everything he had.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### What We Can Learn About God's Promises

1. What three things did God tell Abram to leave behind in Ur?  
*Answer:* God told Abram to leave his country, his kindred, and his father's house.
2. How many times in this episode did God appear to Abram and give him instructions or promises or both?  
*Answer:* God appeared to Abram twice.



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3. How did Abram respond to God's promise to bless him and make him into a great nation?

*Answer:* He built an altar to the LORD.

4. What did God say He would do to those who blessed Abram?

What did He say He would do to those who curse Abram?

*Answer:* God said He would bless those who blessed Abram and curse those who cursed Abram.

## LESSON THREE **3**

### What We Can Learn from Abram

1. Which son of Noah was Abram descended from?

*Answer:* Abram was descended from Noah's son Shem.

2. Why did Abram ask Sarai to say that she was his sister when they went to Egypt?

*Answer:* Abram was afraid the Egyptians would kill him and take Sarai.

3. How did God respond when Sarai was taken into Pharaoh's house?

*Answer:* God sent great plagues on Pharaoh's house.

## DISCUSS

1. How do you think Abram felt when he had to leave his country and family? What did Abram have to look forward to?

2. God promised Abram that He would make him a great nation. How hard would it have been for Abram to believe this promise when he was old and had no children?

3. In these events, God told Abram that He would bless Abram and make his name great. How would you feel if God told you He would bless you and make your name great?

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4. The Egyptians took Sarai without asking Abram's or Sarai's permission. Do you think Abram's life would have been in danger if he had told the truth about Sarai being his wife? What would have happened to Sarai if the Egyptians had killed Abram and taken Sarai?
5. How do you think Sarai felt when she was taken away from Abram and into Pharaoh's house?
6. How can you see Abram demonstrating faith and/or doubt in the events surrounding Sarai and Abram in Egypt?

## MEMORY VERSES

**"Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."**

Genesis 12:1-3

## QUIZ



1. Who died in Haran?  
A. Abram    B. Lot    C. Terah ◀    D. Sarai
2. Who did God promise would be blessed in Abram?  
A. Abram's descendants    B. Israel    C. God's people    D. All the families of the earth ◀
3. What caused Abram to go to Egypt?  
A. A famine ◀    B. Plagues    C. An enemy army    D. God
4. From which son of Noah did Abram descend?  
A. Ham    B. Shem ◀    C. Japheth    D. Seth



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5. In this episode, who was unable to have children?  
A. Milcah    B. Abraham    C. Terah    D. Sarai ◀
6. To what land did God instruct Abram to go?  
A. Canaan ◀    B. Ur    C. Haran    D. Egypt
7. What did Abram build for the LORD?  
A. House    B. Tents    C. Altars ◀    D. Tabernacles
8. In Egypt, Abram asked Sarai to say that she was what?  
A. His wife    B. His sister ◀    C. Unrelated    D. His daughter
9. How did God respond when Pharaoh took Sarai into his house?  
A. He did not respond.  
B. He sent great plagues on the house of Pharaoh. ◀  
C. He sent a prophet to rebuke Pharaoh.  
D. He approved Pharaoh's taking of Sarai.
10. With what did Pharaoh send Abram away?  
A. His flocks and possessions    B. Everyone in his household except Sarai  
C. His wife and everything he had ◀    D. Nothing

## PRAY

Dear God, You told Abram that You would make him into a great nation, and that all nations would be blessed through him. While Abram was not perfect, he had faith in You and Your promises. Please help our faith increase. Help us trust You, even when we cannot see what is ahead of us. Help us to always trust Your Son, Jesus Christ, the One Who came to bless all nations. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# ABRAM & THE KINGS' WAR

Genesis | Episode 9

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

**Abram and Lot separated:** Lot lived in the Jordan Valley, and Abram lived in Canaan. God told Abram that He would give him and his descendants the land. After a battle between kings, Lot was captured. Abram defeated the captors and brought Lot back. Melchizedek blessed Abram.

## PEOPLE

**ABRAM:** SAbram was Terah's son and the husband of Sarai. He followed the LORD and left his homeland for the land God promised him. The LORD promised to bless him and make him into a great nation.

**ABRAM'S WIFE:** Abram's wife was named Sarai. She was barren and had no child. She traveled around with her husband as he journeyed to the land God had promised him.

**LOT:** Lot was the son of Haran, and Abram's nephew. He had great flocks and herds, and traveled with Abram's household.

**THE HERDSMEN:** Both Abram and Lot had herdsmen. They fought with each other because there was not enough land to support both their flocks.

**AMRAPHEL:** Amraphel was the king of Shinar. He joined in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.

**ARIOCH:** Arioch was the king of Ellasar. He fought in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.

**CHEDORLAOMER:** Chedorlaomer was the king of Elam. He was one of the kings who fought in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.

**TIDAL:** Tidal was the king of Goiim. He fought in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.

**BERA:** Bera was the king of Sodom. He was in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.

**BIRSHA:** Birsha was the king of Gomorrah. He joined in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.

**SHINAB:** Shinab was the king of Admah. He fought in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.



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**SHEMEBER:** Shemeber was the king of Zeboiim. He was in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.

**KING OF BELA:** The King of Bela, which is Zoar, joined in the battle of the nine kings in the Valley of Siddim.

**ONE WHO ESCAPED THE BATTLE:** One person, who had escaped the battle between the nine kings, came to Abram who was living by the oaks of Mamre. He told Abram that Lot had been captured. The Bible does not reveal the name of this person.

**ABRAM'S TRAINED MEN:** Abram had 318 trained men who had been born in his house. They went to fight with Abram against the kings who took Lot.

**MELCHIZEDEK:** Melchizedek was the king of Salem and the priest of the Most High God. After Abram returned from fighting with the kings, Melchizedek brought out bread and wine and blessed Abram, and Abram gave Melchizedek a tenth of everything.

**THE KING OF SODOM:** After Abram and his trained men returned to Sodom, the king of Sodom went out to meet Abram. He told Abram to give him the people and keep the goods for himself, but Abram refused.

**ANER:** Aner was one of the men who went with Abram to fight the kings who took Lot. He received a share of the spoils after the battle.

**ESCHOL:** Eschol went with Abram to fight the kings who took Lot. He received a share of the spoils after the battle.

**MAMRE:** Mamre joined Abram to fight the kings who had taken Lot. He received a share of the spoils after the battle.

## PLACES

**EGYPT:** Egypt was the country where Abram and Sarai went to find food during the famine. The ruler of Egypt was Pharaoh.

**BETHEL:** Bethel was where Abram pitched his tent, and where he had first built an altar and called on the name of the LORD.

**JORDAN VALLEY:** When Abram and Lot parted ways, Lot decided to live in the Jordan Valley. The Jordan Valley was near to Bethel, Sodom, and Gomorrah.

**SODOM:** After Abram and Lot parted ways, Lot lived in the Jordan Valley and pitched his tent near Sodom. The men of Sodom were evil, committing great sins against the LORD.

**CANAAN:** After Abram and Lot parted ways, Abram lived in Canaan. God promised to give the land of Canaan to Abram's descendants.



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**VALLEY OF SIDDIM:** The Valley of Siddim was close to the Dead Sea, and it was full of tar pits. When the armies of the nine kings fought together, some of the men fell into the tar pits.

**OAKS OF MAMRE:** The oaks of Mamre were in Hebron. Abraham went to live by the oaks of Mamre and built an altar to the LORD there.

**HOBAB:** Hobab was north of Damascus. When the kings captured Lot, Abram pursued the kings all the way to Hobab.

**VALLEY OF SHAVEH (THE KING'S VALLEY):** The Valley of Shaveh was also called the King's Valley. It was here that the king of Sodom went out to meet Abram after Abram rescued his nephew, Lot.

**SALEM:** Salem was the place where Melchizedek, priest of the Most High God, was king.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Survey the Land** | God told Abram to look all around him in every direction, and to walk through the length and the breadth of the land. The LORD was going to give it to Abram and his descendants forever.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Fighting Men** | God multiplied Abram's household so that when Lot was taken, Abram had 318 fighting men that had been born in his household who could go fight with him to recover Lot and the others.

**Possessions** | God had made Abram very wealthy, possessing livestock, silver, and gold.

### GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Plunderers** | God judged the kings who had taken Lot, allowing Abram and his army to defeat them and recover all they had taken.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Numerous Descendants** | God told Abram that He would give all the land Abram could see to him and his descendants. And God said that He would make Abram's descendants as numerous as the sands.



# ABRAM & THE KINGS' WAR

Genesis | Episode 9

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 9, "Abram & The Kings' War."**

1. After Abram left Egypt with great flocks and possessions, he traveled to Bethel.
2. Abram and Lot both had great herds, so that the land could not support them living together, and their herdsmen quarreled.
3. Abram told Lot to choose which land he wanted, because he did not want their families to quarrel.
4. Lot chose to live in the Jordan Valley, near Sodom, and Abram lived in Canaan.
5. The LORD told Abram to look in every direction, and that He would give all that land to Abram and to his descendants. The LORD would make Abram's descendants as numerous as the sands.
6. Abram moved his tent and came to live by the oaks of Mamre which are in Hebron. There, he built an altar to the LORD.
7. The kings of Sodom and Gomorrah and other surrounding nations fought in a battle together in the Valley of Siddim.
8. The victors of the battle took Abram's nephew, Lot, who was living in Sodom, along with all his possessions.
9. When Abram heard that his nephew had been taken, he gathered 318 of his trained men and attacked the kings' armies. He recovered all that the kings had taken, including his nephew, Lot.
10. When Abram came back from the battle with the kings, Abram was met by the king of Sodom and Melchizedek, king of Salem and priest of the Most High God.
11. Melchizedek brought Abram bread and wine and he blessed Abram, and Abram gave Melchizedek a tenth of everything.
12. The king of Sodom told Abram to give him the people and keep the goods for himself. Abram said that he would not take even a thread or a sandal strap of anything that was the king's because Abram did not want him to be able to say that he made Abram rich.



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## LESSON TWO **2**

### Lessons from Abram

- 1. Where did Abram go after he came up out of Egypt with his wife, nephew, and all his possessions?**  
*Answer:* To Bethel, the place where he had first built an altar to the LORD.
- 2. Why did the herdsmen of Abram and Lot quarrel?**  
*Answer:* Abram and Lot's herdsmen quarreled because Abram and Lot both had large flocks, and the land could not support them both.
- 3. Where did Lot choose to live when Abram gave him the pick of the land?**  
*Answer:* Lot chose the Jordan Valley, which was described as being well-watered like the garden of God and the land of Egypt.

## LESSON THREE **3**

### Abram's Worship

- 1. What did Abram do after he parted ways with Lot and went to live by the oaks of Mamre?**  
*Answer:* Abram built an altar to the LORD.
- 2. Who came out to meet Abram after he defeated the kings and recovered Lot?**  
*Answer:* The king of Sodom and Melchizedek came out to meet Abram.
- 3. What did Melchizedek give Abram? What did Abram give Melchizedek?**  
*Answer:* Melchizedek gave Abram bread and wine, and he blessed him. Abram gave Melchizedek a tenth of everything.

## DISCUSS

- 1. Abram gave Lot the choice of land to settle in to avoid quarreling within his family. Do you think this was the right thing to do? Why or why not?**

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2. Lot lived in the Jordan Valley near Sodom. The Bible describes the men of Sodom as being wicked. What do you think could be the result of living close to wicked people?
3. Even though Abram and Lot had parted ways, Abram gathered a band of 318 fighting men to rescue Lot and his whole household. What does this tell us about Abram's character and how he felt about his nephew, Lot?
4. Why do you think Abram had so many trained warriors? What does this tell us about Abram?
5. Why do you think Abram gave Melchizedek, the king of Salem, a tenth of everything?
6. Abram refused to accept the goods that the king of Sodom offered. Why did Abram refuse? Would it have been wrong for Abram to keep them?

## MEMORY VERSES

And Melchizedek king of Salem brought out bread and wine. (He was priest of God Most High.)  
And he blessed him and said,

**"Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Possessor of heaven and earth;  
and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!"**

And Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

Genesis 14:18-20

## QUIZ

1. Abram's wealth included which of the following?  
A. Livestock    B. Silver    C. Gold    D. All of the above ◀
2. Why did Abram and Lot need to separate?  
A. Abram and Lot didn't like each other.  
B. Lot had become violent toward Abram's household.  
C. The land could not support Abram and Lot living together. ◀  
D. All of the above.

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3. What city did Lot choose to pitch his tent near?

- A. Canaan    B. Salem    C. Sodom ◀    D. Egypt

4. God told Abram He would make his descendants as numerous as what?

- A. The sands of the earth ◀    B. The leaves on the trees    C. The other nations    D. The men of Egypt

5. When Abram moved his tent and came to live by the oaks of Mamre, what did he build?

- A. A city    B. An altar ◀    C. A house    D. A statue

6. When the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah battled together, what did some of their men fall into?

- A. A ravine    B. A river    C. A valley    D. Tar pits ◀

7. What did the victors at the battle of the kings take?

- A. Lot and his household ◀    B. Abram and his household    C. Sarai    D. Melchizedek

8. How many trained men did Abram gather to rescue his nephew, Lot?

- A. 813    B. 318 ◀    C. 381    D. 138

9. After Abram defeated the four kings, what did Melchizedek king of Salem bring to Abram?

- A. A sacrifice    B. Water and wine    C. Bread and wine ◀    D. Spoils from the war

10. Abram didn't want the king of Salem to be able to say what?

- A. "You are part of my household."    B. "My God is greater than your God."  
C. "I made Abram rich." ◀    D. "I won the battle."

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, Abram refused to take any riches from the king of Sodom, but instead trusted You alone. Help us see You as Abram saw You, as the source of all good gifts. Please give us a generous heart, so that we will use our gifts for the good of others, just as Abram did. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





# EVERLASTING COVENANT

Genesis | Episode 10

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

The LORD brought Abram outside and told him to look up at the sky and count the stars. So would be the number of Abram's offspring. Abram believed the LORD, and the LORD counted it to him as righteousness. That day, the LORD made a covenant with Abram.

## PEOPLE

**MELCHIZEDEK:** Melchizedek was the king of Salem and priest of the Most High God. He brought out bread and wine for Abram when Abram returned from rescuing Lot from the kings. Melchizedek blessed Abram, and Abram gave Melchizedek a tenth of everything.

**ABRAM:** Abram was Terah's son and the husband of Sarai. He followed the LORD and left his homeland for the land God promised him. The LORD had promised to bless him and make him into a great nation. Abram traveled from place to place setting up altars to the LORD.

**ELIEZER OF DAMASCUS:** Eliezer of Damascus was a member of Abram's household. He was the expected heir of Abram because Abram did not have any children of his own.

## PLACES

**UR OF THE CHALDEANS:** God told Abram to leave his homeland of Ur, and told him He would give him a new land.

**THE LAND FROM THE RIVER OF EGYPT TO THE RIVER OF EUPHRATES:** God told Abram that He would give the land, from the river of Egypt to the river of Euphrates, to Abram's descendants.



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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Abram's Offering** | God told Abram to bring a heifer, a female goat, a ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Protection** | God appeared to Abram and told him that He was his shield, and the One Who would reward him with great abundance.

**Visions** | The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, and God told Abram about the blessings He would give him.

**Land** | God made a covenant with Abram: He would give Abram's descendants the land between the river of Egypt and the river of Euphrates.

### GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Slavery** | God told Abram that his descendants would be slaves in a foreign land, but that God would judge that nation.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Abram's Heir** | God promised that Abram's heir would be his own son.

**Abram's Offspring** | God promised Abram that his offspring would be as numerous as the stars.

**Long Life** | God promised Abram that he would join his ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 10, "Everlasting Covenant."

1. The LORD told Abram not to be afraid, that He was Abram's shield and the One Who would reward him with great abundance.

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2. Abram asked God what good His gifts would be if he continued to not have a child of his own.
3. God told Abram that his heir would be his own son.
4. God told Abram to count the stars and said that his offspring would be as numerous. Abram believed the LORD, and He counted it to him as righteousness.
5. The LORD told Abram that He was the LORD, Who brought him out from his homeland to give him a new land. Abram asked God how he could know that he would possess that land.
6. God told Abram to bring several animals and two birds. Abram gathered the animals and divided them in two and placed the pieces opposite each other as God had instructed.
7. A deep sleep fell upon Abram. The LORD told Abram that his descendants would become slaves in a foreign land, but that the LORD would judge that nation, and they would leave with great possessions.
8. God told Abram that he would join his ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age.
9. A smoking pot and a flaming torch passed between the pieces of the animals Abram had prepared.
10. That day the LORD made a covenant with Abram: He would give the land between the river of Egypt and the river of Euphrates to his descendants.

## LESSON TWO 2

### What Can We Learn from Abram?

1. In God's first appearance to Abram in this episode, how did God speak to Abram?

*Answer:* God spoke to Abram in a vision.

2. What did Abram do when God told him that He was his shield and the One Who would reward Abram with great abundance?

*Answer:* Abram asked what good God's gifts would be if Abram did not have a child of his own.

3. What did God tell Abram to do so that Abram could picture how numerous his offspring would be?

*Answer:* God told Abram to look up and count the stars.

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## LESSON THREE **3**

### God's Promise to Abram and the Covenant

**1. What did God promise to give Abram as a possession?**

*Answer:* God promised that He would give Abram the land between the river of Egypt and the river of Euphrates.

**2. What did Abram do with the animals?**

*Answer:* Abram gathered the animals as God had instructed, divided them in two—except for the birds—and placed the pieces opposite each other.

**3. God made a covenant with Abram in a ceremony that involved dividing animals.**

**What passed through the two halves of the animals while Abram slept?**

*Answer:* A smoking pot and a flaming torch appeared and passed between the pieces of the animals.

## DISCUSS

**1. God told Abram that He was his shield. What do you think God meant by this?**

**How would you have felt if God said this to you?**

**2. Abram and Sarai were too old to have children when God promised that he would have a son.**

**How do you think Abram felt when he heard God's promise? Do you think he had doubts?**

**3. The Bible tells us that Abram believed God and that God counted it to Abram as righteousness.**

**What does this tell us about the importance of believing God and having faith in His promises?**

**4. Abram asked how he could know that God would give him the land. Was it right for Abram**

**to question God? Why or why not?**

**5. God told Abram that his descendants would be slaves in a foreign land, but that God would deliver them.**

**Why do you think God told him this? Why would God allow His people to be slaves?**

**6. When God made His covenant with Abram, God passed through the animals that Abram had prepared.**

**What do you think is the significance of this?**

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## MEMORY VERSES

And [God] brought [Abram] outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be."

And he believed the LORD, and he counted it to him as righteousness.

Genesis 15:5-6

## QUIZ

1. The LORD spoke to Abram by what means?

- A. A vision  B. A scroll  C. A letter  D. A word from a friend

2. God told Abram that He was Abram's shield and the One Who would reward him with \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Gold and silver  B. Great flocks of sheep  C. Jewels  D. Great abundance

3. Why did Abram question God about His promise?

- A. Because Abram was scared  B. Because Abram was tired   
C. Because Abram did not have any children  D. Because Abram was doubtful

4. What did God tell Abram to count when He was telling Abram about his descendants?

- A. The trees  B. The stars  C. The sand  D. The tents

5. Who did God say would NOT be Abram's heir?

- A. Lot  B. Pharaoh  C. Eliezer of Damascus  D. Melchizedek

6. What did Abram do that resulted in God counting it to him as righteousness?

- A. He believed God.  B. He hoped in God.  C. He told others about God.  D. He sinned against God.

7. What did God promise He would give Abram as a possession?

- A. Great wealth  B. Children  C. Nothing  D. This land

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8. What did Abram keep from eating the carcasses of his sacrifice?

- A. Lions      B. Birds of prey ◀      C. Wolves      D. People

9. What passed through the two halves of the animals Abram had prepared?

- A. A smoking pot and a flaming torch ◀      B. Abram  
C. God and Abram      D. A cloud

10. What did God make with Abram?

- A. An altar      B. A religion      C. A kingdom      D. A covenant ◀

## PRAY

Dear God, Thank You for revealing Your grace toward Abram through the Scriptures. Thank You for protecting him from all harm. You promised him that You would be faithful, and You were. You promised that You would bless all nations through him. You guided Abram and all his descendants until it was the right time to send Your Son Jesus into the world to save us. Thank You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE BIRTH OF ISHMAEL

Genesis | Episode 11

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Sarai was childless, and she gave Abram her servant Hagar to be Abram's wife, so that Sarai could have children through her. Hagar became pregnant, but ran away when Sarai dealt harshly with Hagar. The Angel of the LORD found Hagar and gave her a promise. Hagar bore Abram a son, Ishmael.

## PEOPLE

**SARAI:** Sarai was Abram's wife. She was without children, and beyond the age of childbearing.

**ABRAM:** Abram was Sarai's husband. The LORD had promised Abram a son, and that his descendants would be like the stars in the heavens. Abram had great wealth and a large household, but his wife, Sarai, was unable to have children.

**HAGAR:** Hagar was Sarai's Egyptian servant. Sarai gave Hagar to Abram to bear children on her behalf since Sarai was barren. Hagar slept with Abram and bore him a son named Ishmael.

**THE ANGEL OF THE LORD:** The Angel of the LORD found Hagar in the desert when she was running from Sarai. He told her that she should return to her mistress Sarai, and that He would multiply her descendants. Hagar called on the name of the LORD, saying, "I have seen the One Who sees me."

**ISHMAEL:** Ishmael was Abram's son by Hagar, Sarai's servant. The Angel of the LORD said that Ishmael would be a wild man, that his hand would be against everyone, and that everyone's hand would be against him.

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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Abram lived in Canaan for ten years with his household. God had promised to give the land of Canaan to Abram's descendants as an everlasting possession.

**A SPRING IN THE DESERT:** The Angel of the LORD found Hagar by a spring in the desert after she ran away from Sarai.

**BEER-LAHAI-ROI:** Hagar named the well where she saw the Angel of the LORD Beer-lahai-roi, meaning "the well of the One Who sees me."

**KADESH AND BERED:** The spring where the Angel of the LORD met Hagar was between Kadesh and Bered, located along the southern border of Canaan.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Return to Sarai** | The Angel of the LORD told Hagar to return to her mistress Sarai, and to submit to her authority.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Hagar's Son** | God provided Hagar with a son, named Ishmael, by Abram.

**Water** | God provided Hagar with a spring of water in the desert.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Ishmael** | God promised Hagar that she would bear a son and to call him Ishmael because the LORD heard her affliction.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Numerous Descendants** | God said that He would greatly increase Hagar's descendants so that it would not be possible to count them all.



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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 11, "The Birth of Ishmael."**

1. Sarai had not borne Abram any children, so she gave her servant, Hagar, to Abram so that Sarai could have children through her.
2. When Hagar became pregnant, she looked on Sarai with contempt.
3. Sarai blamed Abram for Hagar's contempt toward Sarai. Abram told Sarai to deal with Hagar as she pleased.
4. Sarai dealt harshly with Hagar, causing Hagar to run away.
5. The Angel of the LORD found Hagar by a spring in the desert and asked where she was coming from and where she was going. Hagar told the Angel of the LORD that she was running away from her mistress Sarai.
6. The Angel of the LORD told Hagar to go back to Sarai and that He would increase Hagar's descendants so that no one could count them. Hagar would have a son and call him Ishmael, because the LORD had heard her affliction.
7. Hagar called on the name of the LORD and said, "I have seen the One Who sees me."
8. Hagar returned to Sarai, and when Abram was 86 years old, Hagar bore him a son, and Abram named him Ishmael.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### Lessons from Sarai

1. What did Sarai do because she was unable to have children?  
*Answer:* Sarai gave her servant, Hagar, to Abram to have a child on her behalf.
2. After Hagar became pregnant, she treated Sarai with contempt.  
Who did Sarai blame for Hagar's actions?  
*Answer:* Sarai blamed Abram when Hagar treated Sarai with contempt.
3. When Hagar treated her mistress Sarai with contempt, how did Sarai respond?  
*Answer:* Sarai dealt harshly with Hagar.

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## LESSON THREE **3**

### Lessons from Hagar

1. Who met Hagar by the spring in the desert?

*Answer:* The Angel of the LORD met Hagar by the spring in the desert.

2. What name did the Angel of the LORD tell Hagar to give her son?

*Answer:* The Angel of the LORD told Hagar to name her son Ishmael.

3. What name did Hagar give to God?

*Answer:* Hagar called God, "the God Who sees me," because the LORD saw her when she was running away in the desert.

## DISCUSS

1. God had promised Abram that he would have a son, and in this episode Hagar became pregnant and had a son. Do you think Abram thought this would be the son God had promised?

2. After Hagar became pregnant, she treated Sarai with contempt. Why do you think she did this?

3. When Hagar began to treat Sarai with contempt, Sarai blamed Abram. Why do you think Sarai blamed Abram?

4. After Hagar ran away, the Angel of the LORD told her to return to Sarai. Why do you think the Angel of the LORD wanted her to return to someone who was treating her harshly?

5. The Bible does not say how Sarai treated Hagar after she returned from running away. How do you think Sarai and Abram treated Hagar after she returned?

6. Do you think it was God's plan for Abram to have a son with Hagar?

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## MEMORY VERSES

So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife. And Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael. Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to Abram.

Genesis 16:3, 15-16

## QUIZ

1. What was the name of Sarai's Egyptian servant?  
A. Eve    B. Hagar     C. Tamar    D. Rebekah
2. Why did Sarai give Hagar to Abram?  
A. Sarai didn't love Abram anymore.    B. Abram asked her to.  
C. So Hagar could have children on Sarai's behalf.     D. God told Sarai to.
3. Who did Hagar look on with contempt after she became pregnant?  
A. Abram    B. God    C. The other servants    D. Sarai
4. How did Sarai treat Hagar after Hagar began looking on her with contempt?  
A. Kindly    B. Harshly     C. She ignored her.    D. She sent her away.
5. What did Hagar do after Sarai began to treat her harshly?  
A. She ran away to the desert.     B. She ran back to Egypt.  
C. She escaped to the sea.    D. She went to live with Lot's family.
6. Where was Hagar when the Angel of the LORD came and spoke to her?  
A. In her tent    B. In Sodom    C. By a spring in the desert     D. In Egypt

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7. What name did the Angel of the LORD tell Hagar to name her son?

- A. Ishmael  B. Isaac C. Abram D. Bered

8. Where did the Angel of the LORD tell Hagar to go?

- A. To go live with Lot B. Back to her mistress, Sarai  C. Back to Egypt D. To Canaan

9. What kind of man did the Angel of the LORD say Hagar's son would be?

- A. A quiet man B. A good man C. A wild man  D. A wealthy man

10. Hagar named the well Beer-lahai-roi, which meant \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. The Lord provides. B. God has heard my complaint.  
C. God of my grief. D. The well of the One Who sees me.

## PRAY

Dear God, You showed us Your kindness in how You spoke to Hagar in the wilderness. Instead of leaving her alone, You found her and blessed her. You are "the God Who sees me." You are all-knowing and kind, even when we sin. Help us, Lord, to look upon those who are hurting as You did with Hagar, with grace and love. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# ABRAM TO ABRAHAM

Genesis | Episode 12

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

The LORD told Abram that he would be the father of many nations. God changed Abram's name to Abraham and Sarai's name to Sarah. God promised that Sarah would give birth to a son. As a sign of the covenant, Abraham and all male descendants were to be circumcised. God blessed Ishmael as well.

## PEOPLE

**ABRAM/ABRAHAM:** God changed Abram's name to Abraham and promised that his descendants would be as numerous as the stars. God told Abraham that he would have a son with his wife, Sarah, and that he was to name him Isaac. Abraham was also the father of Ishmael through Sarah's servant, Hagar.

**SARAI/SARAH:** God changed Sarai's name to Sarah. She was old, and unable to have children, but God promised that she would bear a son of her own.

**ISHMAEL:** Ishmael was the son of Hagar and Abraham. Sarah had given Hagar, her servant, to Abraham so that Hagar could have a child on Sarah's behalf.

**ISAAC:** God promised that Abraham and Sarah would have a son, and Abraham was to name him Isaac.

## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Abraham and Sarah lived in Canaan with all their flocks and servants. God had promised to give the land of Canaan to Abraham's descendants as an everlasting possession.

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Purity** | God told Abram to walk before Him and be purehearted.

**Circumcision** | God instructed Abraham to keep God's covenant by circumcising every male in his household, including his servants, and every male among his descendants.

**Naming Isaac** | Abraham was instructed to name the son God had promised him Isaac.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Land of Canaan** | God told Abraham that He would give him and his descendants all the land of Canaan as an everlasting possession.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Abraham's God** | God promised Abraham that He would make a covenant between Him and Abraham, and that He would be God for Abraham and for his descendants after him.

**Numerous Offspring** | God promised Abraham that He would increase Abraham's descendants greatly.

**Sarah's Son** | God promised Abraham that Sarah would have a son in a year.

### GOD'S JUDGMENT

**The Uncircumcised** | God told Abraham that any male who refused to be circumcised would be cut off from his people.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Royal Descendants** | God told Abraham He would make nations of him, and that kings would descend from him.

**Everlasting Covenant** | God told Abraham that He would establish His covenant between Him and Abraham and Abraham's offspring after him as an everlasting covenant.

**Ishmael** | God told Abraham that He had blessed Ishmael, and that He would multiply Ishmael's descendants. Ishmael would father 12 princes, and God would make him a great nation.



# ABRAM TO ABRAHAM

Genesis | Episode 12

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 12, "Abram to Abraham."**

1. When Abram was 99 years old, the LORD told Abram that he must walk before Him and be purehearted. He told Abram that He would make a covenant between Himself and Abram, increase his descendants greatly, and that Abram would be the father of many nations.
2. The LORD said that Abram's name would now be Abraham, because God made him the father of many nations.
3. God told Abraham that He would make him exceedingly fruitful, and that God would establish His everlasting covenant between Him and Abraham, and between Him and Abraham's offspring.
4. God told Abraham the sign of the covenant was that every male among him was to be circumcised.
5. The LORD changed Sarai's name to Sarah and said that He would give Abram a son by her. God said that Sarah would be the mother of many nations and that her descendants would include kings.
6. God told Abraham that kings would descend from Sarah. Abraham laughed and asked how a 100-year-old man and his 90-year-old wife could have a child.
7. God said that Sarah would bear him a son, and that Abraham was to call him Isaac. The LORD would establish an everlasting covenant with Isaac and with his descendants after him.
8. Abraham took his son Ishmael, along with every male among the men of Abraham's household, and circumcised them as God had instructed.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### God's Promises

1. How old was Abram when God changed his name to Abraham and promised him Sarah would give him a son?

*Answer:* Abraham was 99 years old.

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2. God promised that Abraham would become the father of many what?

*Answer:* God promised that Abraham would become the father of many nations.

3. What was the land God promised to give Abraham as an inheritance to his descendants forever?

*Answer:* God promised to give Abraham and his descendants the land of Canaan.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Signs of God's Covenant

1. What was to be the sign of the covenant God was making with Abraham?

*Answer:* The sign of the covenant was that all Abraham's male offspring and every male among them must be circumcised.

2. What were the new names God gave to Abram and Sarai?

*Answer:* God said that Abram and Sarai would be called Abraham and Sarah.

3. Why did Abraham laugh when God promised that he would have a son with Sarah?

*Answer:* Abraham laughed because he and Sarah were too old to have a child.

## DISCUSS

1. How would you feel if you were in your 90s and God told you that you would have a child?

2. God told Abraham to walk before Him and be purehearted. What do you think that meant?

3. What do you think it means to establish an everlasting covenant with someone?

4. The Bible says that Abraham laughed when God told him he would have a son. Do you think Abraham was being disrespectful to God? Was it wrong for him to laugh?

5. What can we learn from Abraham about faith?

6. Why do you think God blessed Ishmael even though he was not the son God had promised would be Abraham's heir?



# ABRAM TO ABRAHAM

Genesis | Episode 12

## MEMORY VERSES

**“Behold, my covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham, for I have made you the father of a multitude of nations.**

**“And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”**

Genesis 17:4-5, 7

## QUIZ

1. How old was Abram when God appeared to him in this episode?

- A. 100    B. 86    C. 49    D. 99 ◀

2. What did God tell Abram to be as he walked before Him?

- A. Faithful    B. Purehearted ◀    C. Holy    D. Humble

3. What did God change Abram and Sarai's names to?

- A. Abraham and Sarai    B. Abraham and Sarah ◀  
C. Ishmael and Hagar    D. Abram and Sarai

4. What kind of people did God say would descend from Sarah?

- A. Princes    B. Merchants    C. Kings ◀    D. Hunters

5. What did God promise to establish with Abraham and his descendants?

- A. A lot of wealth    B. Blessings and curses    C. A new law    D. An everlasting covenant ◀

6. What was to be the sign of the covenant?

- A. Circumcision ◀    B. Faith    C. A rainbow    D. Animal sacrifice

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7. What land did God promise to give Abraham as an everlasting possession?

- A. Egypt    B. Eden    C. Babel    D. Canaan ◀

8. God promised to make Abraham a father of many \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Nations ◀    B. Servants    C. Angels    D. Animals

9. God told Abraham that he would have a son in a year.

How old would they be when the son was to be born?

- A. 90 and 100 ◀    B. 89 and 99    C. 95 and 105    D. 100 and 110

10. What did God tell Abraham to name the son Sarah would have in one year?

- A. Ishmael    B. Eliezer    C. Isaac ◀    D. Abimelech

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, thank You for the promise that You made to Abraham, to make him the father of many nations. Just as Abraham and Sarah had to trust You to fulfill Your promises, help us to trust You, and to wait on Your perfect timing. Thank You for bringing us into Your family through the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross for us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# DIVINE NEGOTIATION

Genesis | Episode 13

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Three men stood before Abraham, and he invited them to eat with him. The LORD told Abraham that Sarah would have a son. Sarah was listening, and she laughed to herself. Abraham asked the LORD to spare Sodom.

## PEOPLE

**ABRAHAM:** Abraham was the father of Ishmael through Hagar. However, God promised Abraham a son through his wife, Sarah. Abraham spoke with God concerning the judgment on Sodom.

**SARAH:** Sarah was the wife of Abraham. She laughed to herself when she heard the LORD say that she would have a son the following year, because she was old.

**THE THREE MEN:** Three men appeared to Abraham as they were on their way to Sodom. After Abraham served them a meal, the LORD said that Abraham and Sarah would have a son at that time next year. Abraham spoke to the LORD and asked Him to spare Sodom if there were only ten righteous men living there.

## PLACES

**THE OAKS OF MAMRE:** The oaks of Mamre was where Abraham lived in Hebron. It was there that three men appeared to Abraham as they were traveling to Sodom.

**SODOM:** Sodom was the city where Lot had chosen to live with his family. The people of Sodom were very wicked, and they sinned greatly against the LORD.

**GOMORRAH:** Gomorrah was a city close to Sodom. Like Sodom, the people of Gomorrah were very wicked and sinned greatly against the LORD.

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Sarah's Son** | The LORD said that He would return to Abraham around the same time next year, and Sarah would have a son.

**Sodom's Salvation** | God promised that He would not destroy Sodom if there were even ten righteous men in the city.

### GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Sodom's Wickedness** | God told Abraham His plan to go and see if Sodom and Gomorrah had done according to the outcry that had reached the LORD.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**All Nations** | The LORD told Abraham His plan, because Abraham was sure to become a great nation and all the nations of the earth would be blessed by him.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 13, "Divine Negotiation."**

1. As Abraham sat by the entrance to his tent, he saw three men approaching.
2. Abraham ran to meet the three men and urged them to stay and eat, and the men agreed.
3. Abraham told Sarah and his servants to quickly prepare food for the men, and he brought them butter, milk, and meat. Abraham stood by the three men under the tree while they ate.
4. The LORD told Abraham that He would return to him next year, and Sarah would have a son. Sarah heard this and laughed to herself, because she was past the age of childbearing.
5. The LORD asked Abraham why Sarah had laughed, and confirmed again that He would return next year, and that Sarah would have a son. Sarah was afraid and said she had not laughed, but the LORD said, "Yes, you did."

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6. The three men left to go to Sodom, and Abraham went with them to see them on their way.
7. The LORD told Abraham that He was going to see if the people of Sodom and Gomorrah had sinned as greatly as He had heard. The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the LORD.
8. Abraham asked the LORD if He would destroy the righteous with the wicked. He asked God if He would spare the city for the sake of 50 righteous people, and the LORD agreed.
9. Abraham continued to ask the LORD if He would spare Sodom if righteous men could be found in the city. Finally, the Lord agreed not to destroy the city if ten righteous men could be found.
10. After the LORD had finished speaking with Abraham, He went His way, and Abraham returned to his place.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Lessons from the Three Visitors

1. Who did Abraham see as he sat by the entrance of his tent?

*Answer:* There are two correct answers. Abraham saw the LORD.  
Abraham saw three men standing in front of him.

2. What did Abraham do when he saw the three men?

*Answer:* Abraham ran to meet them, bowed to the ground, and urged them to stay with him so they could wash their feet, rest, and have a meal.

3. What were the four things Abraham, Sarah, and Abraham's servant hurried to prepare for the three men?

*Answer:* Bread made from the finest flour, a prepared calf, butter, and milk.

## LESSON THREE 3

### God's Promises and Judgment

1. While the three men ate, the LORD said He would return next year, and what would happen?

*Answer:* Sarah would have a son.

2. What did Sarah do when she heard the LORD say that she would have a son at the same time next year?

*Answer:* Sarah laughed to herself because she was past the age of childbearing.

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### 3. Why were the three men going to Sodom?

*Answer:* The three men were going to see if Sodom and Gomorrah had done according to the outcry that had reached the LORD.

### 4. In Abraham's final negotiation, the LORD agreed that He would not destroy Sodom if how many righteous people could be found there?

*Answer:* God agreed that if He found ten righteous people in Sodom and Gomorrah, He would not destroy them.

## DISCUSS

### 1. How did Abraham know the LORD was present when the three men arrived?

### 2. How would you feel if the LORD came to you and shared a meal with you? How would you go about preparing the meal?

### 3. Why did Sarah deny that she had laughed? Why was she afraid?

### 4. The LORD said, "Should I hide from Abraham what I am about to do?" to the three men as they were traveling to Sodom. Why do you think He asked this question?

### 5. The LORD told Abraham that the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah was great. What do you think that means? Who do you think was crying out against their wickedness?

### 6. Was Abraham right to negotiate with God for Sodom? Does God want us to speak with Him in the same manner about the people and nations that surround us?

## MEMORY VERSES

The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?' Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, about this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

Genesis 18:13-14

# DIVINE NEGOTIATION

Genesis | Episode 13

## QUIZ

1. How many men came to visit Abraham?  
A. One man    B. Ten men    C. Five men    D. Three men ◀
2. Where was Abraham when the men visited him?  
A. By the entrance of his tent ◀    B. In his tent    C. Climbing a tree    D. Working in the field
3. What did Abraham make for the three men?  
A. He made them robes.    B. He prepared a meal. ◀    C. He made an altar.    D. He made them a tent.
4. What did the LORD say that Sarah would have at that time next year?  
A. A new servant    B. A good meal    C. A son ◀    D. Great wealth
5. What did Sarah do when she heard the LORD say she would have a son?  
A. She laughed to herself. ◀    B. She cried.    C. She sang a song.    D. She shouted with joy.
6. Why did Sarah laugh when she heard the LORD's promise?  
A. Because Sarah was sad    B. Because Sarah was old ◀  
C. Because Sarah was confused    D. Because Sarah was poor
7. After the three men ate with Abraham, where did they go?  
A. They went to Egypt.    B. They went to Salem.  
C. They went to the oaks of Mamre.    D. They went to Sodom. ◀
8. Why was the LORD going to Sodom?  
A. Because of the outcry that reached Him ◀    B. To see if Sodom was righteous  
C. To see if Sodom needed help    D. To save Lot and his family
9. Abraham negotiated with the LORD to not destroy Sodom if God found who in it?  
A. Repentant people    B. A good king    C. Righteous people ◀    D. Joyful people
10. Why did Sarah say to the LORD that she did not laugh?  
A. Because she had not laughed    B. Because she was afraid ◀  
C. Because she did not think the LORD had heard her    D. Because she had only laughed to herself

# DIVINE NEGOTIATION

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## PRAY

Dear God, we know Your judgment is perfect. And we know that Your mercy is always present. Thank you for not judging us according to our sins, but for saving us and forgiving us through Your Son, Jesus. Please help us now as we live among wickedness. Help us to resist evil and stay close to You. Amen.





# LOT & SODOM

Genesis | Episode 14

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Lot persuaded two angels of the LORD to stay with him, and they told Lot and his family to flee. The LORD rained sulfur and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah. Lot's wife became a pillar of salt, and Lot and his two daughters went up into the hills.

## PEOPLE

**LOT:** Lot was Abraham's nephew and had parted ways with Abraham to live in Sodom. When the angels of the LORD came to Sodom, Lot insisted that they stay with him. Lot escaped Sodom with his wife and two daughters before judgment came on the city.

**ANGELS:** Two angels of the LORD went to Sodom to see if they had done according to the outcry that had reached the LORD. They told Lot to flee for his life, along with his family because they had come to destroy the city.

**THE MEN OF SODOM:** The men of Sodom were very wicked. They crowded around Lot's door and demanded that Lot bring out the two men (angels) who were staying with Lot. The angels struck them with blindness.

**LOT'S SONS-IN-LAW:** Lot's sons-in-law, who were to marry his two daughters, did not believe Lot that the city was about to be destroyed. They did not come with Lot and his family, but stayed behind in Sodom as it was destroyed.

**LOT'S DAUGHTERS:** Lot's two daughters escaped the destruction of Sodom, along with their father. After they settled in a cave with Lot, they believed there were no more men on earth with whom they could have children. So they made their father drink wine, slept with him, and each had a child by him.

**LOT'S WIFE:** Lot's wife fled Sodom along with Lot and their two daughters. The angel warned them not to look back, but Lot's wife looked behind her at Sodom as it was being destroyed, and she became a pillar of salt.

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**ABRAHAM:** Abraham was Lot's uncle. Abraham had pleaded with the LORD to save Sodom from destruction. After the destruction of Sodom, Abraham went to the place where he had stood before the LORD and saw the smoke rising from the land where Sodom and Gomorrah had been.

**MOAB:** Lot's oldest daughter got her father drunk and slept with him. She gave birth to a son, and called him Moab. He was the ancestor of the Moabites.

**BEN-AMMI:** Lot's youngest daughter got her father drunk and slept with him. She gave birth to a son, and called him Ben-ammi. He was the ancestor of the Ammonites.

## PLACES

**THE CITIES OF THE PLAIN:** The LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah, the two main cities of the Plain, as well as other smaller towns in the valley.

**SODOM:** Sodom was the city where Lot had chosen to live with his family. The people of Sodom were wicked, sinning greatly against the LORD. The LORD punished Sodom, raining sulfur and fire out of the sky until it was completely destroyed.

**GOMORRAH:** Gomorrah was a city located close to Sodom. Like Sodom, the people of Gomorrah were wicked and sinned greatly against the LORD. The LORD punished Gomorrah along with Sodom, raining sulfur and fire out of the sky until it was completely destroyed.

**ZOAR:** Zoar was a small city in the valley near Sodom and Gomorrah. Lot asked Zoar to be spared so he could flee there from Sodom. The angel agreed not to destroy that town, and Lot's family was in Zoar when Sodom was destroyed.

**THE HILLS:** After the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, Lot was afraid to live in Zoar, so he and his daughters left and settled in the hills, living in a cave.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Safe Refuge** | During the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, God spared the town of Zoar so that Lot and his family could safely flee there.

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## GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Violent Men** | The angels struck the men of Sodom with blindness as they tried to attack Lot.

**Great Wickedness** | God destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah for their great wickedness, raining sulfur and fire down from the heavens until they, as well as other surrounding cities, were completely destroyed.

**Disbelief** | Lot's future sons-in-law did not believe Lot when he told them to flee the destruction of Sodom, and they were destroyed in the judgment of the city.

**Turning Back** | Lot's wife turned into a pillar of salt when she disobeyed the angels' instructions and looked behind her at the destruction of Sodom.

## GOD'S PROTECTION

**Rescue** | God remembered Lot and rescued him and his family for Abraham's sake.

# LEADER'S GUIDE

## LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 14, "Lot & Sodom."**

1. Two angels approached the gate of Sodom where Lot was. Lot invited them to his house to eat and spend the night. The angels intended to spend the night in the city square, but Lot convinced them to go home with him.
2. Lot made a feast for them and baked unleavened bread, and they ate.
3. Men from all over the city, both young and old, surrounded Lot's house and told Lot to bring out the two men so that they could sleep with them.
4. Lot went out, stood in the doorway, and shut the door behind him. He urged the men not to do such a wicked thing, and offered them his daughters in place of the two men.
5. The men of Sodom crowded around Lot and tried to break down the door. The angels inside pulled Lot into the house with them, and they struck the men at the door with blindness.
6. The angels told Lot to gather all of his family so they could escape the destruction of the city. Lot urged his sons-in-law to leave, but they did not take him seriously.
7. As morning dawned, Lot lingered, so the angels seized him and his family and brought them outside the city.
8. One of the angels told them to flee to the hills, and to not look behind them. Lot asked the angels to spare Zoar, a nearby town, so that he could flee there. The angel agreed and told him to hurry.

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9. The LORD rained sulfur and fire out of the sky on Sodom and Gomorrah, and He destroyed the cities and the entire plain.
10. Lot's wife disobeyed the angels, looking behind her at the destruction of Sodom, and became a pillar of salt.
11. Abraham stood in the place where he had pleaded with the LORD for Sodom. He looked out toward the land of the valley and saw the smoke rising from the land like a furnace.
12. Lot was afraid to live in Zoar, so he lived in a cave in the hills with his two daughters.
13. Lot's daughters believed there were no more men on earth with whom they could have children. So Lot's daughters made their father drink wine, slept with him, and each had a child by him.
14. Lot's older daughter gave birth to a son and called him Moab, the ancestor of the Moabites. His younger daughter gave birth to a son and called him Ben-ammi, the ancestor of the Ammonites.

## LESSON TWO 2

### The Wickedness of the Men of Sodom

1. Why did the men of Sodom, young and old, come to Lot's door?  
*Answer:* They wanted Lot to bring the visitors out to them, so that they could sleep with them.
2. What did Lot offer the men in place of his visitors?  
*Answer:* Lot offered the men of the city his two virgin daughters to do with them what they pleased.
3. What did the angels do to prevent the men of the city from being able to harm them or Lot?  
*Answer:* They struck the men at the door with blindness.

## LESSON THREE 3

### The Destruction of Sodom and God's Mercy Toward Lot

1. What did the angels tell Lot to do?  
*Answer:* They told Lot to bring any family Lot had out of this place because the LORD had sent them to destroy it.
2. Why did Lot's sons-in-law not leave Sodom with Lot?  
*Answer:* Lot's sons-in-law did not take him seriously about the coming destruction of Sodom.

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3. In the morning when it was time for Lot and his family to flee the city to escape destruction, Lot lingered. What did the two angels do?

*Answer:* The angels seized Lot, his wife, and his daughters by the hand and they brought them and set them outside the city.

4. The angels told Lot and his family to flee and not look behind them. What did Lot's wife do and what happened to her?

*Answer:* She looked back and became a pillar of salt.

5. Lot's daughters thought there was no man left with whom they could have children. What did they decide to do about this?

*Answer:* Lot's daughters make their father drink wine and slept with him without him knowing.

## DISCUSS

1. Lot insisted that the two men who came to Sodom come home and stay with him. Why do you think he did that?

2. The men of Sodom demanded that Lot bring out his visitors so the men of the city could sleep with them. What does this tell us about the wickedness of Sodom?

3. Lot offered to give his virgin daughters to the men of Sodom. What does this tell us about Lot?

4. The angels warned Lot's family not to look behind them at the destruction of Sodom, but Lot's wife did and was turned into a pillar of salt. Why do you think the angels gave them this instruction?

5. Why do you think the angels were so determined to save Lot and his family?

6. Lot's daughters got their father drunk and slept with him, fearing they would not be able to have children any other way. How do you think God viewed their actions?

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## MEMORY VERSES

Then the LORD rained on Sodom and Gomorrah sulfur and fire from the LORD out of heaven. And he overthrew those cities, and all the valley, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground. But Lot's wife, behind him, looked back, and she became a pillar of salt.

So it was that, when God destroyed the cities of the valley, God remembered Abraham and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow when he overthrew the cities in which Lot had lived.

Genesis 19:24-26, 29

## QUIZ

1. Where was Lot sitting when the two angels arrived at Sodom?  
A. In the gate of Sodom  B. In his tent C. Inside his house D. Under a tree
2. Where did the angels say they would spend the night?  
A. With Lot in his house B. In the city square  C. At an inn D. With a friend
3. Who came to Lot's house and demanded the visitors be brought out?  
A. Old men from the city B. Young men from the city  
C. Men and women from the city D. Young and old men from the city
4. Who did Lot offer to the men of Sodom instead of the angels?  
A. His two virgin daughters  B. Himself C. Another guest D. His wife
5. What did the angels strike the men of Sodom with?  
A. Sleep B. Confusion C. Blindness  D. Deafness
6. Who did not take Lot seriously when he told them Sodom would be destroyed?  
A. His future sons-in-law  B. His daughters C. His wife D. His friends

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7. Where did the angels tell Lot's family not to look as they were fleeing Sodom?

- A. In front of them    B. Behind them ◀    C. At each other    D. Up into the sky

8. What rained down from the heavens onto the cities of the plain?

- A. Fire and coals    B. Fire and water    C. Fire and hail    D. Fire and sulfur ◀

9. Lot's wife looked behind her and became what?

- A. A pillar of lime    B. A pillar of stone    C. A pillar of salt ◀    D. A pillar of iron

10. Where did Lot end up living because he was too afraid to live in Zoar?

- A. With a friend    B. With Abraham    C. In a cave ◀    D. In another city

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, thank You for the gift of being able to trust You to bring about perfect judgment against evil. And thank You for being merciful toward us, forgiving our sins and calling us righteous. Keep us steadfast in the faith, and help us stay faithful to You and Your ways. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# ABRAHAM & ABIMELECH

Genesis | Episode 15

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Abraham told the people of Gerar that Sarah was his sister. Abimelech, king of Gerar, took Sarah. God told Abimelech to return Sarah to Abraham, and he did. Abraham prayed to God, and God healed Abimelech and his wife and all the female slaves who were barren.

## PEOPLE

**ABRAHAM:** Abraham was the husband of Sarah and father to Ishmael. However, God promised Abraham a son through his wife, Sarah. After Sarah was taken into Abimelech's house, the LORD revealed to Abimelech that Abraham was a prophet.

**SARAH:** Sarah was the wife of Abraham, and she was old and unable to have children. Sarah was taken into Abimelech's house after Abraham told the people of Gerar that Sarah was his sister. Abraham revealed to Abimelech that Sarah was his half-sister.

**KING ABIMELECH:** Abimelech was the king of Gerar. He took Sarah when Abraham and Sarah came to dwell in Gerar, because Abraham had told him that Sarah was his sister. When God warned Abimelech in a dream, he returned Sarah to Abraham with great gifts and 1,000 shekels of silver to vouch that he had not touched Sarah.

**ABIMELECH'S WIFE:** We are not told the name of King Abimelech's wife. The LORD had closed all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, including his wife, because Abimelech had taken Sarah. After Abimelech returned Sarah to Abraham, Abraham prayed for Abimelech and his household, and Abimelech's wife's womb was opened so that she bore children.

**THE FEMALE SLAVES:** The LORD had closed all the wombs of the house of Abimelech, including the female slaves, because Abimelech had taken Sarah. After Abimelech returned Sarah to Abraham, Abraham prayed for Abimelech and his household, and the female slaves' wombs were opened so that they bore children.





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## PLACES

**THE OAKS OF MAMRE:** The oaks of Mamre was where Abraham lived, in Hebron. It was there that the LORD appeared to Abraham.

**THE NEGEB:** The Negeb was a desert in the land of Canaan. Abraham traveled south from the oaks of Mamre toward the Negeb and lived in Gerar.

**GERAR:** Gerar was a region and city in the Negeb desert. Abraham went to live in Gerar after he left the oaks of Mamre. The king of Gerar was Abimelech.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Return Sarah** | The LORD appeared to Abimelech in a dream and told him to return Sarah to Abraham.

**Abraham's Prayer** | The LORD told Abimelech to ask Abraham to pray for him because Abraham was a prophet.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Opportunity for Repentance** | God provided Abimelech the opportunity to repent of taking another man's wife, and also the opportunity to receive prayer from Abraham.

**Possessions** | God provided silver, sheep, oxen, and male and female servants for Abraham through Abimelech.

### GOD'S JUDGMENT

**Adultery** | The LORD told Abimelech he was but a dead man because he had taken another man's wife.

**Barrenness** | The LORD had closed all the wombs of the women in Abimelech's household because Abimelech had taken Sarah.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Healing** | After Abraham prayed for Abimelech and his household, God healed Abimelech and his wife and all the female slaves so that they bore children.

### GOD'S PROTECTION

**On Sarah** | God protected Sarah when she was taken by Abimelech into his house.

**On Abimelech** | The LORD told Abimelech that Abraham was a prophet, and that he would pray for him so that he would live.



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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 15, "Abraham & Abimelech."

1. Abraham and Sarah traveled to Gerar. Abraham told the people in Gerar that Sarah was his sister.
2. Abimelech, the king of Gerar, took Sarah, but did not come near her. God warned Abimelech in a dream, telling him that he was a dead man for taking another man's wife.
3. Abimelech told the LORD that he did not know that Sarah was Abraham's wife. The LORD said He knew this, and that the LORD had not let Abimelech touch her. God told Abimelech to return Sarah, and to ask Abraham to pray for him because he was a prophet.
4. Abimelech rose early in the morning, and told all his servants what God had told him, and the men became very afraid.
5. Abimelech asked Abraham why he had misled him and brought such a great sin on him and on his kingdom. Abraham said that he had been afraid that they would kill him and take Sarah. Abraham revealed that Sarah was his half-sister.
6. Abimelech gave Abraham animals and servants as a gift. He returned Sarah, and told Abraham to live in his land wherever he wanted. He gave Abraham a thousand pieces of silver as a sign of Sarah's innocence.
7. Abraham prayed to God, and God healed Abimelech and his wife and all the female slaves so they bore children. The LORD had closed their wombs because Abimelech had taken Sarah.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### Lessons from Abraham

1. What did Abraham tell everyone concerning Sarah when they traveled to Gerar?  
*Answer:* Abraham told everyone that Sarah was his sister.
2. What happened to Sarah in Gerar?  
*Answer:* Abimelech, king of Gerar, sent for Sarah and took her to be his wife.
3. How did Abimelech find out that Sarah was Abraham's wife?  
*Answer:* God appeared to Abimelech in a dream and told him that Sarah was Abraham's wife.



# ABRAHAM & ABIMELECH

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## LESSON THREE **3**

### Abraham and Sarah Leave Gerar

**1. How did Abimelech react when he found out that Sarah was Abraham's wife?**

*Answer:* Abraham called all his servants early in the morning to tell them about the dream, and he gave Sarah back to Abraham.

**2. What did Abimelech give to Abraham as sign of Sarah's innocence?**

*Answer:* Abimelech gave Abraham 1,000 pieces of silver.

**3. What happened to Abimelech and the women in Abimelech's household after Abraham prayed for them?**

*Answer:* Abimelech's life was spared, and the women in Abimelech's household had children. God had told Abimelech in a dream that he was a dead man and God had closed the women's wombs because Abimelech had taken Sarah.

**4. Why did Abimelech ask Abraham to pray for him?**

*Answer:* Abimelech asked Abraham to pray for him because God told Abimelech that Abraham was a prophet, and that he would live if Abraham prayed for him.

## DISCUSS

**1. Sarah had already been taken by another king, and in this episode, Abraham asked her to say she was his sister again. How do you think Sarah felt to be taken by a foreign king for the second time?**

**2. Abraham told people that Sarah was his sister because he did not think the people of Gerar feared God. Do you think Abraham was right to think this? Why or why not?**

**3. Abraham told King Abimelech that Sarah was his half-sister. Which she was. But do you think Abraham was being honest and was right to do this?**

**4. In iBIBLE Episode 13, God had promised that Sarah would give birth to the promised child in one year's time. Then Abimelech took Sarah away from Abraham. Do you think it was hard for Abraham and Sarah to believe God's promise while Sarah was in the house of Abimelech?**

**5. Why do you think God told Abimelech that he was a dead man for taking Sarah, even though Abimelech hadn't known that she was Abraham's wife?**

# ABRAHAM & ABIMELECH

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6. God healed Abimelech when Abraham prayed for him, even though Abimelech was not in a covenant with God like Abraham was. What does this tell you about God?

## MEMORY VERSES

And Abimelech said, "Behold, my land is before you; dwell where it pleases you."

To Sarah he said, "Behold, I have given your brother a thousand pieces of silver. It is a sign of your innocence in the eyes of all who are with you, and before everyone you are vindicated."

Genesis 20:15-16

## QUIZ

1. Abraham traveled south to live where?  
A. Egypt    B. Canaan    C. Sodom    D. Gerar ◀
2. Who was the king of Gerar?  
A. Pharaoh    B. Abimelech ◀    C. Ephron    D. Phicol
3. Abraham told the people in Gerar that Sarah was his what?  
A. Friend    B. Wife    C. Half-sister    D. Sister ◀
4. What happened to Sarah in Gerar?  
A. She was taken by the king. ◀    B. She was kidnapped by raiders.  
C. She fell ill.    D. She gave birth to Isaac.
5. What did God tell Abimelech when He appeared to him in a dream?  
A. You are a dead man.  
B. The woman you have taken is another man's wife.  
C. Return the woman and ask the man to pray for you.  
D. All of the above. ◀



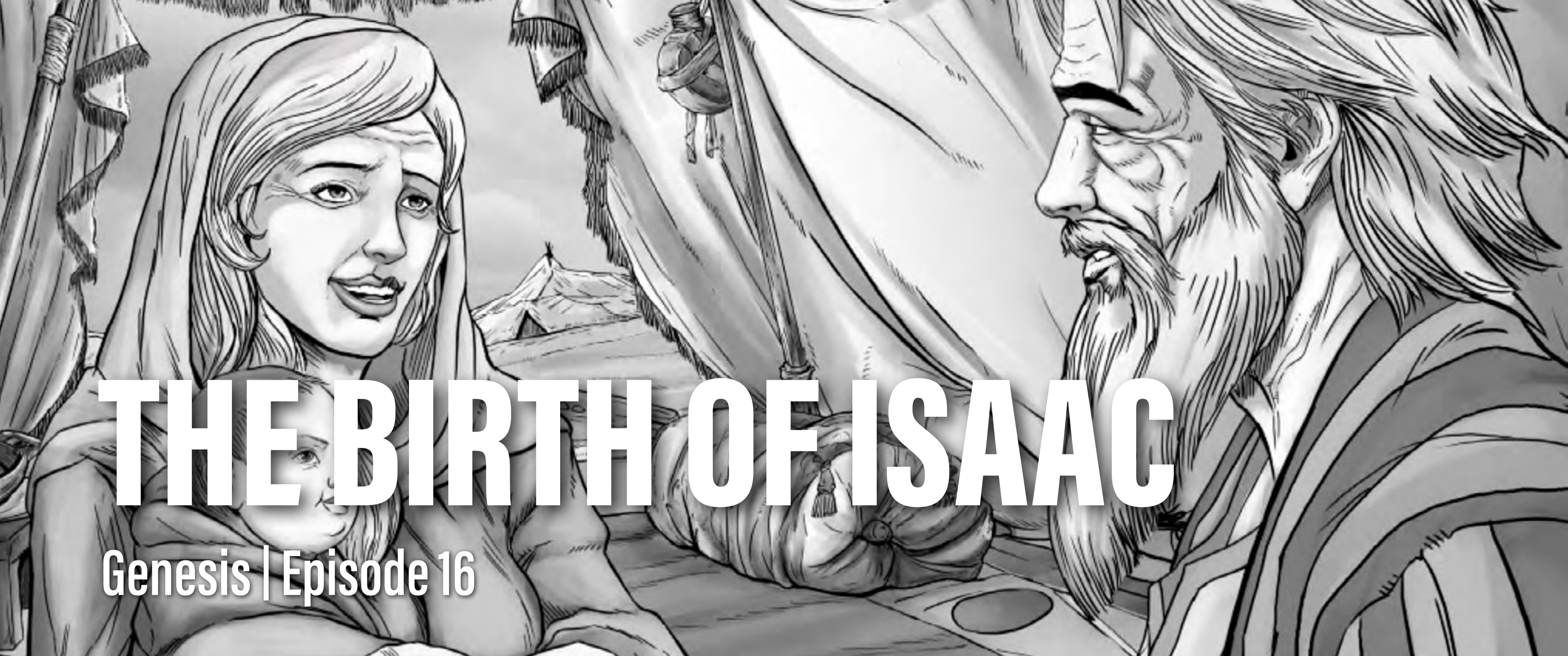
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6. Who did Abimelech tell about his dream early in the morning the next day?  
A. His wife      B. His friends      C. His servants ◀      D. His sons
7. What did Abimelech give to Abraham?  
A. Sheep      B. Oxen      C. Male and female servants      D. All of the above ◀
8. What did Abimelech give to Abraham as a sign of Sarah's innocence?  
A. 1,000 pieces of silver ◀      B. 1,000 pieces of copper  
C. 1,000 pieces of silver and gold      D. 1,000 pieces of gold
9. What happened to the women of the household of Abimelech because of Sarah?  
A. They became sick.      B. God said they would die.  
C. God prevented them from having children. ◀      D. Nothing happened to them.
10. What happened to Abimelech and his household when Abraham prayed for them?  
A. They became wealthy.      B. They were healed. ◀  
C. They were blessed.      D. They were returned from exile.

## PRAY

Dear God, You work through Your people despite their sin, their lack of faith, their doubts, and their discouragements. Thank You for this wonderful truth. Help us to lean on You when we fear, and help us put our trust fully in Jesus Who has saved us. Guide us to make right decisions and be Your light in this world by speaking truth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE BIRTH OF ISAAC

Genesis | Episode 16

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Sarah bore Abraham a son in his old age, just as God had promised. Abraham called him Isaac and circumcised him. Hagar and Ishmael were cast out, but God provided them with water and promised Hagar that He would make Ishmael into a great nation.

## PEOPLE

**SARAH:** Sarah was the wife of Abraham. Despite being old and unable to have children for many years, the LORD visited Sarah and she gave birth to a son, Isaac.

**ABRAHAM:** Abraham was the husband of Sarah and father to Ishmael by Hagar. God had promised Abraham a son through his wife, Sarah, and she bore him a son, Isaac.

**ISAAC:** Isaac was the son God promised and was born to Abraham and Sarah.

**HAGAR:** Hagar was Sarah's Egyptian maidservant. She had borne Abraham a son, Ishmael. After Sarah's son, Isaac, was weaned, Abraham sent Hagar and Ishmael away.

**ISHMAEL:** Ishmael was Abraham's son by Hagar. Ishmael made fun of Isaac, and he and his mother were cast out of Abraham's house. God provided water for them in the desert, and Ishmael grew up to be an archer in the wilderness.

**ABIMELECH:** Abraham complained to Abimelech that his servants had violently seized a well. Abimelech, along with Phicol, made a covenant with Abraham.

**PHICOL:** Phicol was the commander of Abimelech's army. He and Abimelech made a covenant with Abraham.



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## PLACES

**THE WILDERNESS OF BEERSHEBA:** After Hagar and Ishmael were cast out of Abraham's house, they wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba.

**BEERSHEBA:** Beersheba is where Abimelech and Phicol made a covenant with Abraham, and where Abraham planted a Tamarisk tree and called on the name of the LORD.

**EGYPT:** Hagar was originally from Egypt, and she returned to Egypt to choose a wife for Ishmael.

**PARAN:** Ishmael became an archer and lived in the wilderness of Paran.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Listen to Sarah** | God told Abraham not to be distressed, but to listen to Sarah.

**Do Not Be Afraid** | God told Hagar to not be afraid because He had heard Ishmael crying. God told her to get up, lift up the boy, and hold him tightly in her hand.

### GOD'S COMMAND

**Circumcision** | Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, just as God had commanded him.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Water** | The LORD provided Hagar with a well of water in the wilderness.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Ishmael** | The LORD promised that He would bless Hagar's son, Ishmael, and that he would become a great nation.

**Isaac's Birth** | The LORD remembered Sarah and did for her what He had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son at the very time God had said she would.

**Ishmael's Descendants** | The LORD told Abraham that He would also make a nation from Ishmael.



# THE BIRTH OF ISAAC

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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 16, "The Birth of Isaac."

1. The LORD remembered Sarah and fulfilled His promise to her, and she bore Abraham a son.
2. Abraham named his son Isaac, and circumcised him as the LORD had commanded.
3. When Isaac was weaned, Abraham made a great feast. Sarah saw Ishmael making fun of Isaac and she told Abraham to cast out Hagar and Ishmael.
4. Abraham was very distressed, but God told him to listen to Sarah. So Abraham sent Hagar and Ishmael away with some bread and a skin of water.
5. Hagar wandered in the wilderness until their water ran out. She left Ishmael under a bush and sat at a distance so that she would not have to watch him die, and she wept.
6. God told Hagar not to be afraid, that He would make Ishmael into a great nation. God opened her eyes, and Hagar saw a well, and she gave her son water to drink.
7. God was with Ishmael as he grew up, and he became an archer in the wilderness.
8. Abimelech, along with Phicol, told Abraham that God was with him. He asked Abraham to swear that he would never deal falsely with him or his descendants. Abraham agreed and swore to them.
9. Abraham complained to Abimelech that Abimelech's servants had violently seized a well. Abimelech said that he had not known about it. Abraham gave sheep and oxen to Abimelech, and the two of them made a covenant.
10. After Abimelech and Phicol made a covenant with Abraham, they returned to the land of the Philistines.
11. Abraham planted a tamarisk tree and called on the name of the LORD. He lived for a long time in the land of the Philistines as a foreigner.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### God's Fulfilled Promise

1. How did God fulfill His promise to Sarah and Abraham?

*Answer:* Sarah gave birth to Isaac, just as God had promised.

2. What did Abraham do to Isaac on the eighth day to fulfill God's covenant command?

*Answer:* Abraham circumcised Isaac on the eighth day to fulfill God's covenant command.





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**3. What did Ishmael do to Isaac that made Sarah want to cast Hagar and Ishmael out?**

*Answer:* Ishmael made fun of Isaac.

## LESSON THREE **3**

### Lessons from Hagar

**1. What did Abraham send Hagar and Ishmael away with?**

*Answer:* Abraham sent Hagar and Ishmael away with some bread and water.

**2. Why did Hagar place Ishmael under a bush and then sit at a distance?**

*Answer:* Hagar sat a distance away from her son so that she would not see him die after they ran out of water in the wilderness.

**3. The Angel of God asked Hagar what was troubling her, and then told Hagar to do what three things?**

*Answer:* The Angel of the LORD told Hagar to:

1. Not be afraid because God had heard the voice of the boy
2. To arise
3. To lift the boy up and hold him tightly in her hand.

**4. What did Hagar see after God opened her eyes?**

*Answer:* God opened Hagar's eyes, and she saw a well of water.

**5. What did Ishmael grow up to be?**

*Answer:* Ishmael grew up to become an archer in the wilderness.

**6. Why did Abimelech want to make a treaty with Abraham?**

*Answer:* Abimelech wanted to make a treaty with Abraham because he saw that God was with Abraham in everything he did.



# THE BIRTH OF ISAAC

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## DISCUSS

1. In Hebrew the name “Isaac” means “one who laughs or rejoices.” What are the many ways Isaac’s name has significance in the events surrounding Abraham and Sarah?
2. Why was Sarah so upset when she saw Ishmael making fun of Isaac?
3. Do you think it was right for Sarah to ask for Hagar and Ishmael to be sent away? Why or why not?
4. In this episode, an Angel of God speaks to Hagar for a second time and helps her. Why do you think God was so kind to Hagar?
5. Why do you think it was important to King Abimelech to make a covenant with Abraham?
6. Abimelech asked Abraham to swear that he would not deal falsely with him or with his descendants. What does this tell us about Abraham and King Abimelech?

## MEMORY VERSES

The LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD did to Sarah as he had promised. And Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore him, Isaac.

Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.

Genesis 21:1-3, 5

# THE BIRTH OF ISAAC

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## QUIZ

1. The LORD visited Sarah as He promised and she had a what?  
A. A daughter    B. A son ◀    C. A revelation from God    D. A stepchild
2. What was Ishmael doing to Isaac that made Sarah angry?  
A. Striking him    B. Playing with him    C. Hugging him    D. Making fun of him ◀
3. On the eighth day, what did Abraham do to Isaac?  
A. He circumcised him. ◀    B. He fed him.    C. He dressed him.    D. He embraced him.
4. How did Sarah refer to Hagar when telling Abraham to cast her out?  
A. As Abraham's wife    B. As a foreigner    C. As a slave woman ◀    D. As a sister
5. Why did Hagar sit down by a bush a bowshot away from Ishmael?  
A. She was tired of him.    B. Ishmael was being too loud.  
C. She needed to sleep.    D. So she would not have to see him die. ◀
6. What did the Angel of the LORD say He would do for Ishmael?  
A. Make him a great nation ◀    B. Give him great wealth    C. Make him a king    D. Give him great crops
7. What did Hagar see in the wilderness when the LORD opened her eyes?  
A. A bird    B. A city    C. A well of water ◀    D. A tree
8. What did Abraham make with Abimelech at Beersheba?  
A. An altar    B. A covenant ◀    C. A well    D. A temple
9. What did Abraham plant at Beersheba when he called on the name of the LORD?  
A. A tamarisk tree ◀    B. An oak tree    C. A shrub    D. A crop of barley
10. How old was Abraham when Isaac was born?  
A. 90 years old    B. 100 years old ◀    C. 99 years old    D. 110 years old



# THE BIRTH OF ISAAC

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## PRAY

Heavenly Father, although Abraham and Sarah were old, You fulfilled Your promise to them, and Sarah gave birth to a son. Through this promised son, You also brought Jesus Christ into the world to save us from our sins. Thank You for fulfilling Your promises and for giving Abraham and Sarah enduring faith. Please keep us steadfast in the faith as we wait for Your second coming. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# ABRAHAM'S TEST

Genesis | Episode 17

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

God told Abraham to offer his only son Isaac as a burnt offering. Abraham obeyed, and bound Isaac and laid him on the altar. But the LORD stopped him and provided a ram for the burnt offering. Later, Sarah died in Hebron.

## PEOPLE

**ABRAHAM:** Abraham was the husband of Sarah and father of Isaac. God told Abraham to sacrifice Isaac as a burnt offering, but God provided a ram in place of Isaac.

**ISAAC:** Isaac was Abraham's son by Sarah, the son that God had promised them. God told Abraham to sacrifice Isaac, but God provided a ram in place of Isaac.

**ABRAHAM'S YOUNG MEN:** Abraham's young men went with Abraham and Isaac to the land of Moriah. They stayed at the bottom of the mountain while Abraham and Isaac went up to worship.

**SARAH:** Sarah was Abraham's wife and Isaac's mother. She died at the age of 127 in the land of Canaan.

**SONS OF HETH:** The sons of Heth offered Abraham the use of any of their burial sites, but Abraham wanted to purchase one of his own, where he could bury Sarah.

**EPHRON THE HITTITE:** Ephron the Hittite sold his burial cave to Abraham, so that he could bury his wife Sarah.

**ZOHAR:** Zohar was the father of Ephron, who sold his burial cave to Abraham.

# ABRAHAM'S TEST



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## PLACES

**THE LAND OF MORIAH:** The LORD commanded Abraham to go to the land of Moriah and to sacrifice his son Isaac there.

**MACHPELAH:** After Sarah died, Abraham bought the cave of Machpelah from Ephron the Hittite.

**MAMRE:** In Mamre, Abraham buried his wife in the cave that Abraham had purchased from Ephron.

**CANAAN:** Abraham lived in Canaan for many years with his large household. God had promised to give the land of Canaan to Abraham's descendants as an everlasting possession.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Sacrifice Isaac** | God told Abraham to take his only son Isaac, whom he loved, and to offer him as a burnt offering.

**Location** | The LORD gave Abraham instruction about the place where he was to sacrifice Isaac.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Substitute Sacrifice** | The LORD provided a ram, caught in the bushes by his horns, to sacrifice in place of Abraham's son, Isaac.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Blessings from Obedience** | The Angel of the LORD promised that because Abraham obeyed Him and did not withhold his son, He would bless him and multiply Abraham's offspring, and that they would possess the cities of their enemies.

**All Nations** | The LORD told Abraham that by his offspring all the nations of the earth would be blessed because Abraham obeyed His voice.

# ABRAHAM'S TEST



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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 17, "Abraham's Test."**

1. God tested Abraham and told him to take his only son, Isaac, whom he loved, and to offer him as a burnt offering.
2. Abraham rose early in the morning, took two of his young men and Isaac, along with wood for the burnt offering, and he went toward the place God had told him.
3. Abraham saw the place he was to sacrifice Isaac. He told his young men to stay with the donkey while he and Isaac went up to worship, and then they would return to them.
4. Abraham put the wood for the burnt offering on Isaac, and took the fire and the knife, and together they went on.
5. Isaac asked where the lamb was for the burnt offering. Abraham said that God would provide the lamb for the burnt offering.
6. Abraham bound Isaac, laid him on the altar, and stretched out his knife to kill his son.
7. The Angel of the LORD called out to Abraham and stopped him from killing Isaac. He said that now He knew that Abraham feared God, because he was willing to obey God and sacrifice Isaac.
8. Abraham saw a ram caught in the bushes. He took the ram and offered it as a burnt offering in place of his son.
9. The Angel of the LORD said to Abraham that because he did not withhold his only son, He would bless and multiply his offspring.
10. Abraham and Isaac returned, and together with the young men they traveled to Beersheba.
11. Sarah died in Hebron when she was 127 years old. Abraham came to mourn Sarah and weep for her.
12. The sons of Heth offered to lend Abraham one of their tombs so he could bury Sarah, but Abraham said that he wanted to buy a cave from Ephron.
13. Ephron the Hittite negotiated with Abraham about the price of the cave. Abraham bought it from Ephron for 400 shekels of silver and buried his wife there.

# ABRAHAM'S TEST



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## LESSON TWO **2**

### What Can We Learn from Abraham?

1. What did the LORD tell Abraham to offer to Him as a burnt sacrifice?

*Answer:* The LORD told Abraham to offer his only beloved son, Isaac.

2. Who did Abraham tell his young men would come back down the mountain?

*Answer:* Abraham said that they would return, himself and Isaac.

3. Isaac told his father that he saw the fire and the wood for the offering, but what did he ask for that was missing?

*Answer:* Isaac asked his father Abraham where the lamb for the offering was.

## LESSON THREE **3**

### What We Can Learn About the LORD

1. What did the LORD provide for Abraham to sacrifice in place of Isaac?

*Answer:* The LORD provided a ram caught in the bushes to sacrifice instead of Isaac.

2. The Angel of the LORD said that He now knew that Abraham feared God for what reason?

*Answer:* The Angel of LORD said He knew that Abraham feared God because he did not withhold his only son from the LORD.

3. How did Abraham get the cave where he buried his wife, Sarah?

*Answer:* Abraham purchased the cave from Ephron the Hittite for 400 shekels of silver.

## DISCUSS

1. God had promised that Isaac would be Abraham's heir, and then told Abraham to sacrifice him. What do you think Abraham was thinking and feeling when God gave him this command?

2. God told Abraham to sacrifice his only son Isaac, whom he loved. But Abraham had another son with Hagar, named Ishmael. Why do you think God referred to Isaac as Abraham's only son?



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3. Do you think Sarah knew about Abraham's intention to sacrifice Isaac? If so, how do you think she felt about it?
4. Isaac asked his father where the ram for the sacrifice was. Do you think he knew what his father was planning to do to him?
5. Do you think Isaac was willing to be sacrificed, or do you think he resisted his father when Abraham tied him up? Why or why not?
6. Why do you think God chose to test Abraham by asking him to sacrifice his only son, the son God had promised him and the son that would be his heir?

## MEMORY VERSES

Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me."

Genesis 22:10-12

## QUIZ

1. Who traveled with Abraham and Isaac to the mountains of Moriah?  
A. His wife, Sarah    B. Four of his servants    C. Hagar and Ishmael    D. Two of his young men ◀
2. What was the name of the land where Abraham was to travel to sacrifice Isaac?  
A. Canaan    B. Egypt    C. Moriah ◀    D. Mamre
3. Abraham put the wood on Isaac, and then what did he carry himself?  
A. The fire and a knife ◀    B. Food and water    C. Fruit and grain    D. Rope and sacks

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4. Who called out to Abraham to stop him from killing Isaac?

- A. Isaac      B. The Angel of the LORD ◀      C. Sarah      D. Ishmael

5. The Angel of the LORD told Abraham now He knew that Abraham was a man who \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. Loves God      B. Fears God ◀      C. Obeys God      D. Ignores God

6. What did Abraham see caught in the bushes?

- A. A ram ◀      B. A calf      C. A lamb      D. A bird

7. After Abraham sacrificed the ram, he called the place Yahweh Yireh. What does Yahweh Yireh mean?

- A. On the mount of the LORD, it shall be sacrificed.      B. On the mount of the LORD, it shall be commanded.  
C. On the mount of the LORD, it shall be saved.      D. On the mount of the LORD, it shall be provided. ◀

8. Who did the Angel of the LORD say would be blessed by Abraham's offspring because he obeyed His voice?

- A. All the people in Canaan      B. All the nations of the earth ◀  
C. All of Abraham's household      D. All of Abraham's descendants

9. Where did Abraham go after leaving Moriah?

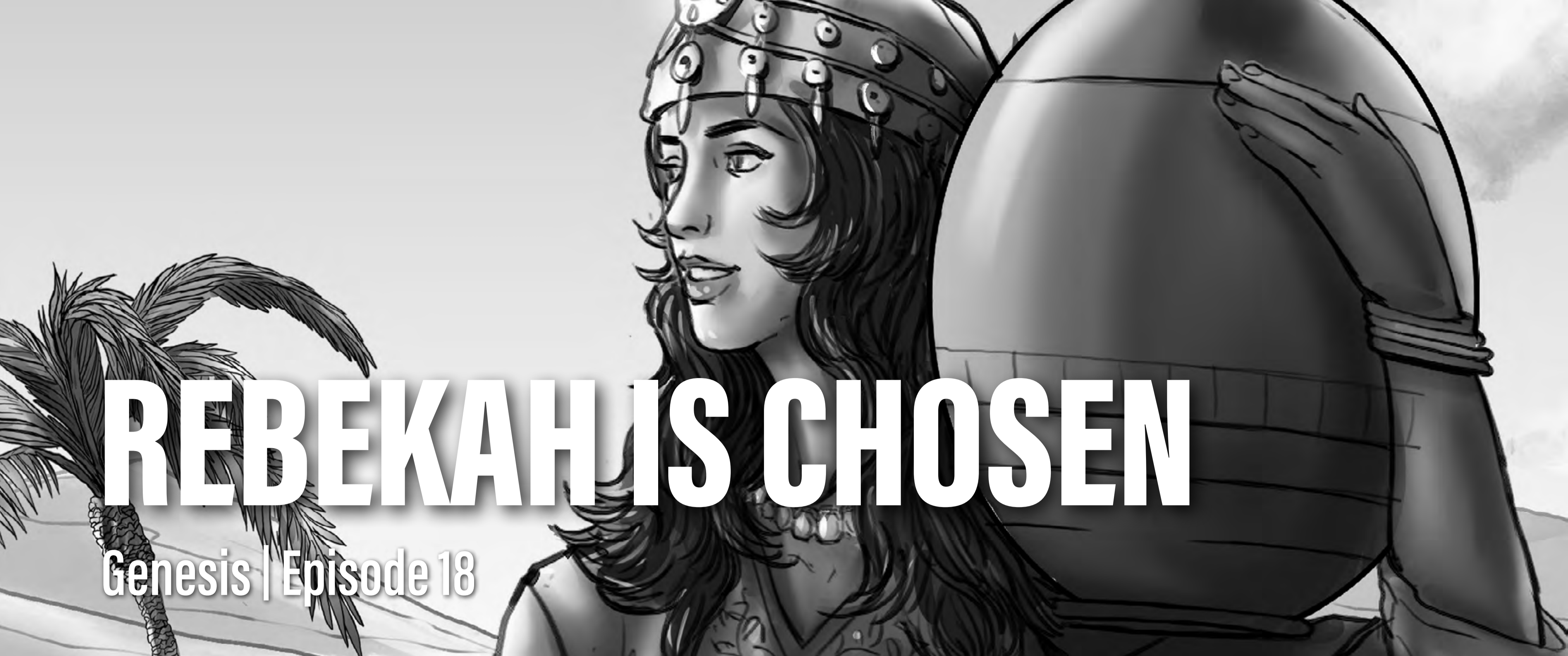
- A. Machpelah      B. Hebron      C. Mamre      D. Beersheba ◀

10. Who did Abraham buy a cave from, so that he could bury Sarah?

- A. Phicol      B. Abimelech      C. Ephron ◀      D. Heth

## PRAY

Dear God, in the trials and tests of our own faith, please help us to be faithful like Abraham. Even when we cannot see a path forward, You provide a way. You are the One Who provided the offering for Abraham, just like You provided Jesus Christ to be the perfect sacrifice for us. Help us to trust in Your perfect plans and the perfect salvation You accomplished for us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# REBEKAH IS CHOSEN

Genesis | Episode 18

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Abraham's servant traveled to Nahor to choose a wife for Isaac, and prayed to the LORD that, if a young woman offered to draw water for him and his camels, then that would be the woman Isaac would marry. Rebekah came out and offered water for the servant and his camels.

## PEOPLE

**ABRAHAM:** Abraham was Sarah's husband and Isaac's father. He sent his servant to find a wife for Isaac among his kindred.

**ABRAHAM'S SERVANT:** Abraham's servant had served him the longest, and was in charge of all he owned. Abraham made him swear to find a wife for Isaac from among Abraham's kin.

**ISAAC:** Isaac was the son God had promised to Abraham and Sarah, born to them in their old age. Abraham sent his servant to find Isaac a wife.

**REBEKAH:** Rebekah was the daughter of Bethuel and the sister of Laban. She was very beautiful, and a virgin. She was attentive and hospitable to Abraham's servant when he asked for a drink at the well.

**BETHUEL:** Bethuel was the son of Milcah and Nahor, and Abraham's nephew.

## PLACES

**MESOPOTAMIA:** Abraham's servant went to Mesopotamia, to the city of Nahor, to look for a wife for Abraham's son, Isaac. The people of the city of Nahor were Abraham's kindred.

**THE CITY OF NAHOR:** The city of Nahor was where Laban and his family lived. Nahor was Abraham's brother, and the people of the city were Abraham's kindred. Abraham's servant went there to look for a wife for Abraham's son, Isaac, and there he met Rebekah at a well.

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Angelic Help** | Abraham told his servant that the LORD would send His angel ahead of him, and help him bring home a young woman for Isaac to marry.

**Signs from God** | God answered Abraham's servant's prayer, and gave him a sign to show him who should be Isaac's wife.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Land of Canaan** | God promised Abraham that He would give the land of Canaan to his descendants.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Abundance** | When Abraham was old, the LORD had blessed him in all things.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 18, "Rebekah Is Chosen."**

1. When Abraham was old, he told his servant to swear that he would find a wife for Isaac from his homeland, and not from the Canaanites.
2. Abraham told his servant that the LORD would send His angel ahead of the servant. If the woman was unwilling to come back with him, he would be released from the oath. The servant swore to him that he would do this.
3. The servant took camels and all kinds of gifts from his master and went to the city of Nahor where Abraham's kindred lived.
4. The servant brought his camels to a well and prayed for a sign concerning the woman he was to choose to be Isaac's wife. He said that he would ask one of the young women for a drink. If she offered him water, and also water for his camels, then that would be the woman God intended for Isaac to marry.

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5. A beautiful young woman named Rebekah came out with her pitcher upon her shoulder.
6. Abraham's servant ran to meet the young woman and asked for a drink. Rebekah immediately lowered her pitcher and gave him a drink, and then offered to water his camels.
7. The servant watched her as she watered his camels, to see whether the LORD had made his trip successful or not.
8. The servant put gold jewelry on Rebekah and asked whose daughter she was. The young woman said that she was the daughter of Bethuel, and that they had plenty of food for his animals, and room for him to spend the night.
9. The servant bowed his head and worshiped the LORD for guiding him to the house of his master's relatives.
10. The young woman ran off and told those of her mother's house what had happened.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Lessons from Abraham

1. Who did Abraham send to find a wife for his son, Isaac?

*Answer:* Abraham sent the servant who had served him the longest and was in charge of all he owned to find Isaac a wife.

2. Where did Abraham want his servant to find a wife for his son?

*Answer:* Abraham wanted his servant to find Isaac a wife in Abraham's homeland, among his kindred.

3. What did Abraham want his servant not to do?

*Answer:* 1. Abraham did not want his servant to find a wife for Isaac among the Canaanites.

2. Abraham did not want his servant to bring his son Isaac back to Abraham's homeland.

4. What did Abraham's servant take with him on his journey to the city of Nahor?

*Answer:* Abraham's servant brought ten camels and all kinds of gifts from Abraham.

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## LESSON THREE **3**

### Lessons from Abraham's Servant

1. Where did Abraham's servant rest and pray that the LORD would send the right woman?

*Answer:* Abraham's servant rested at a well outside the city, and prayed to meet the young woman God had chosen.

2. Abraham's servant asked God to give him a sign to show him the young woman God had chosen.

What was the sign?

*Answer:* The sign Abraham's servant asked for was that he would ask a young woman for a drink of water and she would say, "Drink, and I will give water to your camels as well."

3. How did Rebekah respond when Abraham's servant asked her for a drink of water?

*Answer:* Rebekah immediately lowered her pitcher onto her arm and gave him a drink. When she was done letting him drink, she said that she would also draw water for his camels.

## DISCUSS

1. Why do you think Abraham wanted his servant to find a wife for Isaac in his homeland instead of in Canaan?

2. Why do you think Abraham did not want his servant to bring Isaac back to the homeland that he had left behind?

3. Do you think Abraham's servant thought it would be possible to convince a young woman to leave her house and country to come back with him?

4. Abraham's servant asked God for a very specific sign when choosing a wife for Isaac. Do you think God wants us to ask Him for a sign when making big decisions? Why or why not?

5. Watering ten camels would take a long time. Why do you think Rebekah was so willing to water the camels of a stranger?

6. What do you think Rebekah was thinking when the servant put a gold ring and two gold bracelets on her, and thanked God for guiding him to his master's relatives?

# REBEKAH IS CHOSEN

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## MEMORY VERSES

Now Abraham was old, well advanced in years. And the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things. And Abraham said to his servant, the oldest of his household, who had charge of all that he had, "Put your hand under my thigh, that I may make you swear by the LORD, the God of heaven and God of the earth, that you will not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell, but will go to my country and to my kindred, and take a wife for my son Isaac."

Genesis 24:1-4

## QUIZ

1. What did Abraham send his most trusted servant to find?  
A. A tent for Abraham's servants    B. A camel for Abraham  
C. A wife for his son Isaac ◀    D. A piece of land where they could build an altar
2. Abraham told his servant not to find Isaac a wife where?  
A. Among the Egyptians    B. Among the Ishmaelites    C. Among the Hittites    D. Among the Canaanites ◀
3. Who did Abraham tell his servant would go before him so that he would find Isaac a wife?  
A. The Angel of the LORD ◀    B. A friend    C. Abraham himself    D. Isaac
4. How many camels did Abraham's servant bring with him to find a wife for Isaac?  
A. One    B. Ten ◀    C. Two    D. None. He brought donkeys.
5. Abraham's servant sat by a well at what time of day?  
A. Morning    B. Evening ◀    C. Afternoon    D. The Bible does not say.
6. Who came out to draw water as Abraham's servant sat at the well?  
A. A young man    B. A large family    C. A child    D. A beautiful young woman ◀
7. Who was Rebekah's father?  
A. Bethuel ◀    B. Laban    C. Nahor    D. Ephron

# REBEKAH IS CHOSEN

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8. What did Abraham tell his servant would happen if the young woman did not want to return with him?
- A. The servant would have to try again.
  - B. The servant should bring the woman back by force.
  - C. The servant would be released from his oath to Abraham. ◀
  - D. The servant would be sent away from Abraham.
9. What did Rebekah do when Abraham's servant asked for a drink of water?
- A. She ran away.
  - B. She said no.
  - C. She said she'd need to think about it.
  - D. She gave the servant and his camels water. ◀
10. Who did Rebekah run off to tell about her conversation with Abraham's servant?
- A. Her father
  - B. Those of her mother's household ◀
  - C. Her friends
  - D. The women of the city

## PRAY

Dear God, it is amazing that You care so deeply for us that You hear our prayers. Just as You heard Abraham's servant and immediately answered him, help us to see the ways You have provided for us and answered our prayers in our own lives. As we look to the future, give us full confidence in Your love for us and Your willingness to hear us and our petitions. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Laban, the brother of Rebekah, ran out to greet Abraham's servant, who told Rebekah's family about his oath to find Isaac a wife. The family agreed she would go, and blessed her. Isaac took Rebekah as his wife and loved her. Abraham died at the age of 175, and was buried with Sarah.

## PEOPLE

**ABRAHAM:** Abraham was Sarah's husband and Isaac's father. He sent his servant to find a wife for Isaac among his kin. After Sarah died, Abraham married Keturah, and had many children by her. Abraham died at the age of 175, and Isaac and Ishmael buried him.

**ABRAHAM'S SERVANT:** Abraham's servant had served him the longest and was in charge of all he owned. Abraham sent him to find Isaac a wife from among Abraham's kindred, and he brought back Rebekah.

**ISAAC:** Isaac was the son God had promised to Abraham and Sarah. When Isaac was 40 years old, Abraham sent his servant to find Isaac a wife. Abraham's servant brought back Rebekah, and Isaac married her.

**REBEKAH:** Rebekah was the daughter of Bethuel, and the sister of Laban. She was very beautiful, and a virgin. She agreed to return with Abraham's servant to marry Isaac.

**LABAN:** Laban was Rebekah's brother and Abraham's nephew. He lived in the city of Nahor with his family. He welcomed Abraham's servant into his home, and he agreed to send Rebekah to be Isaac's wife.

**REBEKAH'S MOTHER:** Rebekah's mother heard Abraham's servant tell of his plan to find Isaac a wife, and the sign the LORD had given him. She agreed to send Rebekah back with the servant so she could marry Isaac. We are not told the name of Rebekah's mother.

**KETURAH:** After Sarah died, Abraham married a woman named Keturah. She bore Abraham Zimran, Jokshan, Medan, Midian, Ishbak, and Shuah. Her children were given gifts but sent away from Isaac, who was Abraham's heir.

**THE HITTITES:** Abraham purchased a cave for Sarah's burial from the Hittites.

# ISAAC & REBEKAH

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## PLACES

**BEER-LAHAI-ROI:** Beer-lahai-roi was between Kadesh and Bered. It was near Beer-lahai-roi that Isaac met Rebekah after she left her homeland and returned with Abraham's servant. After Abraham's death, Isaac and Rebekah lived near Beer-lahai-roi.

**THE CITY OF NAHOR:** The city of Nahor was where Laban and his family lived. Abraham's servant went there to look for a wife for Abraham's son, Isaac, and there he met Rebekah at a well.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Isaac** | After Abraham died, God blessed Isaac.

**Long Life** | God blessed Abraham with a long life of 175 years.

**Rebekah** | God provided a wife for Isaac from Abraham's homeland.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 19, "Isaac & Rebekah."**

1. When Laban saw the gold jewelry on Rebekah, and heard what the man had said to her, he ran to Abraham's servant and urged him to come to his house. Abraham's servant went home with Laban.
2. Abraham's servant said that he wanted to speak before they ate. He told them about the oath he had made to Abraham to find Isaac a wife among his kindred, and about the sign he had asked from God that would show him who was to be Isaac's wife.
3. Laban and Bethuel agreed that the sign was from the LORD, and that Rebekah would go with the servant.
4. Abraham's servant bowed down before the LORD and gave valuable gifts to Rebekah, Laban, and her mother.
5. Rebekah's brother and mother wanted Rebekah to stay with them for ten days, but Abraham's servant asked not to be delayed. Rebekah agreed to go with the servant.

# ISAAC & REBEKAH

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6. Rebekah's family sent her away, and they blessed Rebekah to be the mother of tens of thousands.
7. Isaac was walking in a field and he and Rebekah saw each other. Rebekah asked the servant who the man was, and the servant said it was Isaac. She covered herself with her veil and the servant told Isaac everything.
8. Isaac took Rebekah as his wife and loved her. He was comforted after his mother's death.
9. Abraham took another wife named Keturah, and she bore him six sons.
10. Abraham gave all that he had to Isaac. He gave gifts to the sons of his concubines and he sent them away from Isaac.
11. Abraham died, and Isaac and Ishmael buried their father in the cave with Sarah.
12. After Abraham died, God blessed Isaac, and he lived near Beer-lahai-roi.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Lessons from Laban

1. Who ran to meet Abraham's servant by the well?

*Answer:* Rebekah's brother, Laban, ran to meet Abraham's servant.

2. What did Laban see on Rebekah that made him want to run and meet Abraham's servant?

*Answer:* Laban saw the gold ring and bracelets on his sister's wrists.

3. How did Laban address Abraham's servant when he told him to come to their house?

*Answer:* Laban called Abraham's servant, "you who are blessed by the LORD."

4. What would Abraham's servant not do before he had explained why he had come?

*Answer:* Abraham's servant said he would not eat until he had told Rebekah's family why he had come.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Rebekah's Decision

1. What did Rebekah's family say when they heard what Abraham's servant had to say?

*Answer:* They said that since this came from the LORD, they could not say anything to the servant good or bad. They agreed that Rebekah would go with the servant.

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**2. What did Abraham's servant give to Rebekah's family after Laban and Bethuel agreed to let Rebekah go with him?**

*Answer:* Abraham's servant gave jewels of silver and gold, and garments to Rebekah, and valuable gifts to her brother Laban and to her mother.

**3. What three things did Rebekah do when she saw Isaac?**

*Answer:* 1. Rebekah quickly dismounted from the camel.  
2. She asked the servant who the man was.  
3. She covered herself with her veil.

## DISCUSS

**1. Laban welcomed Abraham's servant back to his house after he saw the gold rings and bracelets on Rebekah. What does this tell us about Laban?**

**2. How do you think Rebekah felt when she was asked to marry a man whom she never met and lived far away from her homeland?**

**3. Why do you think Rebekah's family agreed to send her away to marry Isaac?**

**4. As she was leaving, Rebekah's family blessed her to be the mother of tens of thousands, and for her descendants to possess the cities of those who hate them. What do you think this means and why would they speak this blessing over her?**

**5. Abraham and his servant trusted God to find a wife for Isaac. Do you think Christians today should trust God to help them find a husband or wife?**

**6. How did Abraham treat Ishmael and the sons of Keturah differently than he treated Isaac? Why do you think he chose to do this?**

# ISAAC & REBEKAH

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## MEMORY VERSES

And they called Rebekah and said to her, "Will you go with this man?" She said, "I will go." So they sent away Rebekah their sister and her nurse, and Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her,

"Our sister, may you become thousands of ten thousands, and may your offspring possess the gate of those who hate him!"

Then Rebekah and her young women arose and rode on the camels and followed the man. Thus the servant took Rebekah and went his way.

Genesis 24:58-61

## QUIZ

1. What did Laban see that made him run to greet the servant?  
A. Rebekah's excitement      B. The gold rings and bracelets on Rebekah ◀  
C. A sign in the heavens      D. The Bible does not say.
2. What was done for Abraham's servant at Laban's house?  
A. His camels were fed.      B. Water was provided to wash his feet.  
C. Food was set before him.      D. All of the above. ◀
3. What was the oath that Abraham's servant made?  
A. To find Isaac a wife. ◀      B. To bring Isaac back to Abraham's homeland.  
C. To never leave Abraham.      D. To worship Abraham's God.
4. What did the servant give to Rebekah and her family?  
A. Scrolls      B. Livestock      C. Gifts ◀      D. Food

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5. Who was Rebekah sent away with?

- A. Animals    B. A friend    C. Her sister    D. Her nurse ◀

6. What did Rebekah's brother and mother ask when Abraham's servant wanted to leave with Rebekah?

- A. That she would stay for another week    B. That she would stay for another month  
C. That she would stay for ten more days ◀    D. That she would never leave

7. What did Rebekah do when she learned that the man in the field was Isaac?

- A. She ran away.    B. She covered herself with her veil. ◀  
C. She shouted.    D. She ran to greet Isaac.

8. Who buried Abraham?

- A. Isaac    B. Ishmael    C. Isaac and Ishmael ◀    D. Abraham's servant

9. How old was Abraham when he died?

- A. 175 ◀    B. 165    C. 157    D. 125

10. Where did Isaac live after his father died?

- A. Mesopotamia    B. Beer-lahai-roi ◀    C. Nahor    D. Mamre

## PRAY

Dear God, thank You for strengthening us in the face of new and sometimes frightening circumstances. When we go through times of doubt, strengthen our faith with examples like this from Scripture. Help us to trust You as Rebekah did, stepping out into the unknown, yet fully knowing that Your plan was right. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# JACOB & ESAU Pt. 1

Genesis | Episode 20

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Rebekah became pregnant, and the children struggled together within her womb. Isaac favored Esau, while Rebekah favored Jacob. Esau exchanged his birthright for Jacob's stew. There was a famine, and Isaac settled in Gerar, where he said of Rebekah, "She is my sister."

## PEOPLE

**ISAAC:** Isaac was Abraham's son by Sarah, born to them in their old age. Isaac married Rebekah when he was 40, and she was barren until he was 60. Isaac had two sons: Jacob and Esau.

**REBEKAH:** Rebekah was Isaac's wife. She was unable to have children for 20 years after their marriage, and then became pregnant with twins. The twins struggled together in her womb, and the LORD told her that two nations were in her womb. She gave birth to two sons, Jacob and Esau.

**JACOB:** Jacob was one of the twins Rebekah bore to Isaac. Jacob came out second, holding onto his brother Esau's heel. He traded his stew for Esau's birthright.

**ESAU:** Esau was one of the twins Rebekah bore to Isaac. Esau came out first and was covered in hair, with his brother, Jacob, holding onto his heel. He traded his birthright for Jacob's stew.

**THE MEN OF GERAR:** The men who lived in Gerar became envious of Isaac's wealth, and filled his wells in with dirt.

**ABIMELECH, KING OF THE PHILISTINES:** Abimelech was the king of the Philistines. He rebuked Isaac for telling him that Rebekah was his sister, because one of his men might have taken her. He was a different Abimelech than the one found in Episode 15.



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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** God had promised to give the land of Canaan to Abraham's descendants as an everlasting possession.

**EGYPT:** The LORD told Isaac not to go down into Egypt because of the famine, but to remain in the land God would tell him.

**VALLEY OF GERAR:** Isaac stayed in the Valley of Gerar. He uncovered two wells that his father had dug, but the people of Gerar also quarreled over those and filled them with dirt. The King of Gerar was Abimelech.

**BEERSHEBA:** Beersheba is where Abimelech and Phicol made a covenant with Abraham. It was also there that Abraham planted a tamarisk tree and called on the name of the LORD.

**SHIBAH:** Isaac made an oath of peace with King Abimelech. The next day, his servants discovered water, and Isaac named that well Shibah. The city was called Beersheba—the well of oaths.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Do Not Be Afraid** | The LORD told Isaac not to be afraid because the LORD was with him.

**Do Not Go to Egypt** | The LORD told Isaac not to go down into Egypt because of the famine, but to remain in the land He would tell Isaac.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Water** | The LORD provided Isaac with springs of water in the desert.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Fulfillment** | The LORD told Isaac that He would fulfill the promise He made to Isaac's father Abraham.

**Numerous Descendants** | The LORD told Isaac He would multiply his offspring and make them as numerous as the stars.

**All Nations** | The LORD promised Isaac He would give the land to Isaac's descendants, and by them all the nations of the world would be blessed.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Treaty** | Abimelech wanted to make a treaty with Isaac because he could see that the LORD had blessed Isaac.





# JACOB & ESAU Pt. 1

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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 20, "Jacob & Esau (Part 1)."**

1. Isaac married Rebekah, but she was unable to have children. Isaac prayed to the LORD on her behalf. 20 years later, when Isaac was 60, Rebekah became pregnant.
2. The children struggled together in Rebekah's womb. She asked the LORD why this was happening, and the LORD told her that two nations were struggling together in her womb, and that the older would serve the younger.
3. Rebekah gave birth to twins. The first twin was red and covered with hair like a coat and they named him Esau. The second twin came out holding Esau's heel, and they named him Jacob.
4. As the brothers grew up, Jacob stayed in the tents, and Esau became a skilled hunter. Isaac favored his son Esau because he had an appetite for game, but Rebekah favored Jacob.
5. Esau asked for Jacob's stew. Jacob said he would give him stew in exchange for Esau's birthright. Despising his birthright, Esau swore it to his younger brother Jacob.
6. There was a famine in Canaan, and Isaac went to Gerar on his way to Egypt.
7. God appeared to Isaac and told him not to go into Egypt, but to live in the land that He would tell him. God said He would fulfill the promise He made to his father Abraham to multiply his offspring.
8. Isaac settled in Gerar, and told the men there that Rebekah was his sister. One day, Abimelech saw him caressing Rebekah. Abimelech asked why he had said that Rebekah was his sister, and Isaac said that he was afraid.
9. Abimelech warned his people that anyone who touched Isaac or his wife would be put to death.
10. The LORD God blessed Isaac, and he became very wealthy. The Philistines became jealous, and they filled Isaac's wells with dirt.
11. Abimelech told Isaac to leave, because he had become so much mightier than Abimelech's people.
12. Isaac left and stayed in the Valley of Gerar. He uncovered two more wells that his father had dug, but the people of Gerar also quarreled over those.
13. God appeared to Isaac and told him not to be afraid, and that He was with him and would bless him and increase his descendants.



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14. Isaac settled in Beersheba and built an altar. His servants dug a well.

15. King Abimelech came to Isaac and said that he wanted to make a treaty with Isaac. Isaac and Abimelech swore an oath to each other. That very day his servants found a well of water. Isaac named the well Shibah, and now the city is called Beersheba—the well of oaths.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Rebekah's Children

1. How long after Isaac married Rebekah did she become pregnant?

*Answer:* Rebekah became pregnant 20 years after she married Isaac.

2. The LORD said which of Rebekah's sons would serve the other?

*Answer:* The LORD said that the older son would serve the younger.

3. Who did the LORD say was in Rebekah's womb?

*Answer:* The LORD said that two nations were struggling in Rebekah's womb.

## LESSON THREE 3

### A Birthright and a Lie

1. What was Esau's reason for selling Jacob his birthright?

*Answer:* Esau said that he was so hungry he was about to die, so what good was his birthright?

2. What did the LORD tell Isaac not to do when there was a famine?

*Answer:* The LORD told Isaac not to go to Egypt because of the famine, but to remain in the land the LORD would tell him.

3. What did Isaac tell the men of Gerar when they asked about his wife, Rebekah?

*Answer:* Isaac told the men of Gerar that Rebekah was his sister.



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## DISCUSS

1. In Episode 19, Rebekah's family sent her away with this blessing: "May you become thousands of ten thousands." How do you think Rebekah felt when she was unable to have any children for twenty years?
2. God told Rebekah that there were two nations in her womb. What do you think He meant by this?
3. God told Rebekah that her older son would serve the younger. Do you think it was God's will for Jacob to ask for Esau's birthright?
4. The Bible tells us that Esau despised his birthright. What do you think that means?
5. Esau was willing to part with his birthright in exchange for some stew because he was very hungry. What does this reveal about Esau's character?
6. Because Isaac was afraid, he told the men of Gerar that Rebekah was his sister. Do you think that was a wise thing to do? Why or why not?

## MEMORY VERSES

Jacob said, "Sell me your birthright now." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me now." So he swore to him and sold his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Genesis 25:31-34

## QUIZ

1. Why did Isaac pray for Rebekah?  
A. She was ill.      B. She was sad.      C. She was unable to have children. ◀      D. She was blind.



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2. Who did the LORD tell Rebekah were struggling together in her womb?  
A. Two people      B. Two religions      C. Two children      D. Two nations ◀
3. When Rebekah gave birth, what did the younger twin come out holding?  
A. The older twin's heel ◀      B. The older twin's head      C. The older twin's hand      D. The older twin's hair
4. The Bible describes Jacob as a quiet man who did what?  
A. Wove tunics      B. Stayed inside the tents ◀      C. Hunted for game      D. Dug for wells
5. What did Esau become when he grew up?  
A. A craftsman      B. A tentmaker      C. A musician      D. A hunter ◀
6. What did Esau sell his birthright for?  
A. Gold      B. Weapons      C. Stew ◀      D. A tent
7. What did Isaac tell the men of Gerar about Rebekah?  
A. That she was his sister. ◀      B. That she was his wife.  
C. That she was his mother.      D. That she was his friend.
8. The LORD told Isaac not to go where?  
A. To Canaan      B. To Nahor      C. To Haran      D. To Egypt ◀
9. What did Isaac and Abimelech make together?  
A. A building      B. A treaty ◀      C. A well      D. An altar
10. What did Isaac's servants find?  
A. Buried treasure      B. A wandering goat      C. A spring of water ◀      D. An abandoned city

## PRAY

Dear God, we see the mercy and love that You showed to Your people in miraculously providing children for Rebekah when she could not have children for 20 years. As we experience suffering and heartache, grant peace and provision. You also provided a path to our Savior Jesus Christ through Isaac and Rebekah; thank You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

An illustration showing two men in profile, facing each other. On the left is a younger man with a dark beard and hair, wearing a purple and yellow robe. On the right is an older man with a long white beard and hair, wearing a brown and orange robe. They appear to be in a conversation.

# JACOB & ESAU Pt. 2

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

When Isaac was old, he called for Esau to prepare wild game for him, and he would bless him. Rebekah heard their conversation, prepared the food, and put Esau's clothes on Jacob. Isaac ate the meal that Jacob brought to him, and blessed him instead of Esau.

## PEOPLE

**ESAU:** Esau was the firstborn son of Isaac and Rebekah. He was a hunter, and Isaac asked him to hunt and prepare game, and then Isaac would bless him. Esau's blessing was taken by Jacob, who deceived his father by pretending to be Esau.

**JUDITH:** Judith was one of two Hittite women that Esau married. She and Basemath, the other wife, made life difficult for Isaac and Rebekah.

**BASEMATH:** Basemath was one of two Hittite women that Esau married. She and Judith made life difficult for Isaac and Rebekah.

**ISAAC:** Isaac was Abraham's son, Rebekah's husband, and the father of two sons, Jacob and Esau. Isaac was old and his eyesight was failing when Jacob deceived him into blessing him instead of Esau.

**REBEKAH:** Rebekah was Isaac's wife and the mother of two sons, Jacob and Esau. She helped Jacob deceive Isaac so that Isaac blessed Jacob instead of Esau.

**JACOB:** Jacob was the second-born son of Isaac and Rebekah. Jacob deceived his father into giving him his brother Esau's blessing by pretending to be Esau.

**MAHALATH:** Mahalath was the daughter of Ishmael. She married Esau, and joined the other wives he had.

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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Isaac and his family lived.

**HARAN:** Haran was a city in Paddan Aram, and it was where Rebekah's brother, Laban, lived. Isaac told Jacob to go to Haran to find a wife from Laban's family.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Ruler** | Isaac blessed Jacob and said that nations would bow down to him, and that he would rule over his kinsmen.

**Blessings and Curses** | Isaac blessed Jacob and said that anyone who cursed him would be cursed, and anyone who blessed him would be blessed.

**Jacob's Protection** | God protected Jacob from Esau's anger when Rebekah convinced Isaac to send Jacob away to find a wife from Laban's family.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 21, "Jacob & Esau (Part 2)."**

1. Esau married two Hittite women, and they made life difficult for Isaac and Rebekah.
2. When Isaac was old, his eyesight was dim. He told Esau to hunt game and prepare it for him in the way that he loved, and then he would bless him.
3. Rebekah heard that Isaac intended to bless Esau. While Esau was hunting, Rebekah told Jacob to get two young goats, and she would prepare the food. Then Jacob would be blessed instead of Esau.
4. Rebekah put Esau's clothes on Jacob, tied goatskins on his hands and neck, and gave the food she had prepared to Jacob so he could take it to Isaac.
5. Jacob brought the food to his father. Isaac felt that something was wrong, and asked how he had been able to find the game so quickly. He said that his voice was that of Jacob but his hands were the hands of Esau.

An illustration at the top of the page shows two men. On the left is a younger man with a beard and a purple tunic, looking towards the right. On the right is an older man with a long white beard and a bald head, looking towards the left. They appear to be in a conversation.

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6. Isaac ate the meal that Jacob brought to him and blessed him.
7. As soon as Jacob left, Esau returned with food for his father. Isaac said that someone had just brought him food and was blessed.
8. Esau asked his father to bless him as well, but Isaac told him that Jacob had deceived him and taken away Esau's blessing.
9. Esau told his father that this was the second time his brother cheated him: first with the birthright and now with the blessing.
10. Esau asked his father to bless him as well. Isaac blessed him, saying that he would live by his sword and serve his brother, but eventually break free from his brother's yoke.
11. Esau hated Jacob because of the blessing his father gave him, and he planned to kill his brother.
12. Rebekah heard Esau's plan to kill Jacob, and she told Jacob to escape and live with her brother Laban until Esau was no longer angry.
13. Rebekah told Isaac that she hated her life because of Esau's Hittite wives, and that Jacob should not also take a Canaanite wife. Isaac told Jacob to go to Haran and take a wife from one of Laban's daughters.
14. Isaac sent Jacob away with his blessing.
15. When Esau learned that the Canaanite women did not please his father, he went to Ishmael and married his daughter, Mahalath, and she joined the other wives he already had.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Rebekah's Plan

1. What made Isaac's and Rebekah's lives difficult?  
*Answer:* The two Hittite women Esau married made Isaac's and Rebekah's lives difficult.
2. What did Isaac want to do since he did not know when he would die?  
*Answer:* Isaac wanted to bless Esau, his firstborn son.
3. Why was Jacob afraid to bring his father stew and receive a blessing?  
*Answer:* Jacob was afraid because he was not a hairy man like his brother Esau, and he did not want his father to curse him instead of blessing him.
4. What did Rebekah tie to Jacob's hands and neck so that his skin would feel like Esau's?  
*Answer:* Rebekah tied the skins of young goats on Jacob's hands and neck.

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## LESSON THREE 3

### Isaac's Blessing

1. What did Isaac say when Jacob came to him to be blessed?

*Answer:* When Jacob came to be blessed, Isaac said, "Who are you, my son?"

2. What made Isaac question which son was bringing him stew when Jacob came into his tent and said he was Esau?

*Answer:* Isaac did not understand how Jacob could have found the game so quickly, and his voice sounded like Jacob, not Esau.

3. Name three of the blessings Isaac spoke over Jacob.

*Answer:* 1. May God grant you the dew of heaven and the wealth of the earth.

2. May the nations bow down to you.

3. Be lord over your kinsmen, and may your mother's descendants also bow to you.

4. Cursed is anyone who curses you, and blessed are those who bless you.

*(Students may give any of these as answers)*

## DISCUSS

1. Why do you think it was so important to Rebekah for Jacob to receive Isaac's blessing?

2. God told Rebekah that the older son would serve the younger. Do you think she was doing God's will by helping Jacob take Esau's blessing?

3. Do you think Isaac knew that God told Rebekah that their older son would serve the younger?

4. Do you think it was a good thing for Isaac's birthright and blessing to pass to Jacob instead of Esau? Why or why not?

5. Do you think Esau would have killed his brother Jacob if Jacob had not fled to Haran?

6. Esau married Ishmael's daughter when he learned that his Canaanite wives displeased his father. Do you think that his new marriage pleased his father? Why or why not?



# JACOB & ESAU Pt. 2

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## MEMORY VERSES

Rebekah said to her son Jacob, "I heard your father speak to your brother Esau, 'Bring me game and prepare for me delicious food, that I may eat it and bless you before the LORD before I die.'

"Now therefore, my son, obey my voice as I command you. Go to the flock and bring me two good young goats, so that I may prepare from them delicious food for your father, such as he loves. And you shall bring it to your father to eat, so that he may bless you before he dies."

Genesis 27:6-10

## QUIZ

1. Who did Esau marry that made life difficult for Isaac and Rebekah?

- A. Two Egyptian women    B. Two women from Abraham's family  
C. Two Hittite women ◀    D. Two Philistine women

2. When Isaac was old, which of his senses was nearly gone?

- A. Sight ◀    B. Hearing    C. Touch    D. Smell

3. What did Isaac say he would do after he ate Esau's game?

- A. Speak with Esau    B. Give Esau gifts    C. Rebuke Esau    D. Bless Esau ◀

4. Who did Rebekah want to get Isaac's blessing?

- A. Herself    B. Esau    C. Jacob ◀    D. Jacob and Esau

5. How did Jacob say he was different from Esau?

- A. He was not strong like Esau.    B. He was not hairy like Esau. ◀  
C. He was not tall like Esau.    D. He was not a hunter like Esau.

6. Rebekah told Jacob to go pick out two young goats from the flock so she could prepare food how?

- A. Slowly    B. Quietly    C. With great care    D. Just as Isaac loved ◀

# JACOB & ESAU Pt. 2

Genesis | Episode 21

7. What did Rebekah put on Jacob's hands so that they felt like Esau's?  
A. The skins of rabbits      B. The skins of oxen  
C. The skins of snakes      D. The skins of young goats ◀
8. Isaac said, "Your voice, it is like that of my son Jacob." What did Isaac say was like Esau?  
A. His hands ◀      B. His face      C. His feet      D. His neck
9. Isaac blessed Jacob to take possession of what?  
A. The wealth that God gave to Abraham      B. The land that God gave to Abraham ◀  
C. The wells that God gave to Abraham      D. The family that God gave to Abraham
10. How did Esau respond when he realized Jacob had taken his blessing?  
A. He asked his father to bless him too.      B. He hated Jacob.  
C. He planned to kill Jacob.      D. All of the above. ◀

## PRAY

Dear God, Thank You for choosing to walk with us and bring blessing to our families, just as you did for Jacob. Just like Jacob's family, we also experience deception and fractures within our families. Help us to trust you, and give us wisdom to know how to seek forgiveness and peace. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# JACOB'S LADDER

Genesis | Episode 22

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

On his way to Haran, Jacob had a dream and saw a ladder set on the earth and reaching to Heaven. At the very top, the LORD appeared, and He promised to give the land on which Jacob was lying to him and his offspring.

## PEOPLE

**JACOB:** Jacob was the second-born son of Isaac and Rebekah, and the brother of Esau. He fled to Haran to escape Esau's anger. On his way, he dreamed that he saw a ladder that reached from earth to Heaven.

**SHEPHERDS:** When Jacob arrived in Haran he met shepherds who told him about Laban and his daughter, Rachel.

**RACHEL:** Rachel was Laban's daughter. She was a shepherdess, and she came to the well to water her sheep at the same time that Jacob came to the well.

**LABAN:** Laban was Rebekah's brother, and Jacob's uncle. He lived in the land of Haran.

## PLACES

**HARAN:** Haran was a city in Paddan Aram, and it was where Rebekah's brother, Laban, lived. Jacob fled there after he tricked his father, Isaac, into giving him Esau's blessing.

**BETHEL:** When Jacob dreamed of the ladder going from earth to Heaven, he took the stone he had used as a pillow and set it as a pillar. He anointed the pillar and he named the place Bethel, which meant "house of God."

# JACOB'S LADDER

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Land** | The LORD promised Jacob that He would give him and his descendants the land on which Jacob was lying.

**Guidance** | The LORD promised Jacob that He would be with him wherever he went, and He would bring Jacob back to this land.

**All Nations** | The LORD told Jacob that his offspring would be like the dust of the earth, and that in Jacob and his descendants, all the families of the earth would be blessed.

**Faithfulness** | The LORD told Jacob that He would not leave him until He had fulfilled what He had promised.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Shelter** | God went with Jacob and provided him a place to stay with Laban.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 22, "Jacob's Ladder:"**

1. Jacob journeyed to Haran, and when he stopped to rest, he slept and dreamed. In his dream, he saw a ladder that reached from earth to Heaven. Angels ascended and descended on the ladder, and at the very top, the LORD appeared.
2. The LORD promised to give Jacob the land on which he lay, and that his offspring would spread in every direction. God told Jacob that He would be with him and fulfill His promises to him.
3. Jacob awoke, and said that this must be the house of God and the gate of Heaven.
4. Jacob took the stone he had used as a pillow and set it as a pillar, and named the place Bethel, meaning "house of God."
5. Jacob vowed that if God protected and provided for him on his journey, Jacob would serve Him as his God, and give Him a tenth of everything God gave him.
6. Jacob arrived in Haran and came to a well. He asked the shepherds who were there if they knew Laban. The shepherds said they did, and pointed out Laban's daughter, Rachel, who was approaching with his sheep.
7. Rachel arrived with her father's sheep. Jacob rolled the stone away from the mouth of the well, and he watered his uncle Laban's flock. Jacob kissed Rachel and began to weep.
8. Laban learned that his nephew had arrived, and he brought Jacob to his house.
9. Jacob told Laban all that had happened to him. Laban told Jacob that he was his own flesh and blood.

# JACOB'S LADDER

Genesis | Episode 22

## LESSON TWO 2

### Jacob's Ladder

1. On his journey, Jacob stopped to rest and dreamed and saw a ladder set on the earth, reaching to Heaven. When Jacob woke up, he said that he did not know that the place he slept was the gate to what?

*Answer:* Jacob said he did not know that the place he slept was the gate to Heaven.

2. What did the LORD say He would do with the land on which Jacob lay?

*Answer:* The LORD said He would give that land to Jacob and to his descendants.

3. What were ascending and descending the ladder up to Heaven?

*Answer:* Angels were ascending and descending the ladder up to Heaven.

4. What three things did Jacob say he would do for the LORD if He provided for him on his journey?

*Answer:* Jacob said that if God provided for him on his journey, then:

1. The LORD would be his God.
2. The stone Jacob set up as a pillar would be His house.
3. Of all that the LORD gave him, he would give one tenth back to the LORD.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Jacob Meets Rachel

1. Who did Jacob meet at the well when he arrived in Haran?

*Answer:* Jacob met shepherds and Laban's daughter, Rachel, at the well.

2. Why did Rachel come to the well where she met Jacob?

*Answer:* Rachel went to the well to give water to her father's sheep.

3. Name four things Jacob did after Rachel arrived at the well.

*Answer:* After Rachel arrived at the well, Jacob

1. rolled the stone away from the mouth of the well
2. watered his uncle's flock
3. kissed Rachel
4. began to weep.

# JACOB'S LADDER

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## DISCUSS

1. In Jacob's dream, he saw the LORD appearing at the very top of the ladder that reached from the earth to Heaven. What do you think is the meaning of this?
2. What do you think was the meaning of the angels ascending and descending on the ladder that Jacob saw in his dream?
3. Jacob promised to give a tenth of everything God gave him back to God. How do you think Jacob would accomplish this?
4. The shepherds told Jacob that they would wait until all the flocks were gathered together at the well before rolling away the stone that covered the well. Why do you think Jacob chose to move the stone himself?
5. When Jacob met Rachel, he kissed her and began to weep. Why do you think he had this reaction?
6. Jacob rolled the stone away from the well, watered the sheep, and then wept and kissed Rachel. What do you think Rachel was thinking as he did these things?

## MEMORY VERSES

And he [Jacob] dreamed, and behold, there was a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven. And behold, the angels of God were ascending and descending on it!

And behold, the LORD stood above it and said, "I am the LORD, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac. The land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring."

Genesis 28:12-13

# JACOB'S LADDER

Genesis | Episode 22

## QUIZ

1. Where was Jacob traveling to when he dreamed and saw the ladder between earth and Heaven?  
A. To Canaan    B. To Haran     C. To Egypt    D. To Beersheba
2. What were ascending and descending on the ladder?  
A. Men    B. Animals    C. Nothing    D. Angels
3. What did Jacob make as a pillar to mark the place of the ladder?  
A. The stone he slept on     B. A well    C. A tower    D. An altar
4. The LORD promised Jacob his offspring would be as what?  
A. As numerous as the nations    B. As the trees of the earth  
C. As the dust of the earth     D. As the stars in the heavens
5. The LORD said He would not leave Jacob until what?  
A. Until Jacob fell away from Him    B. Until Jacob disobeyed  
C. Until Jacob died    D. Until the LORD fulfilled what He had promised
6. What did Jacob name the place where he saw the ladder to Heaven?  
A. Kadesh    B. Bethel     C. Canaan    D. Haran
7. When Jacob came to Haran, he came across a well covered by what?  
A. A huge stone     B. A great tree    C. A tall ladder    D. A great linen cloth
8. How did Jacob respond when he saw Rachel?  
A. He kissed Rachel.    B. He wept.  
C. He kissed Rachel and began to weep.     D. He laughed.
9. Whose flock of sheep did Jacob water at the well?  
A. His own    B. His uncle's     C. Rachel's    D. A stranger's
10. Laban told Jacob he was his what?  
A. Friend    B. Enemy    C. Workman    D. His own flesh and blood

# JACOB'S LADDER

Genesis | Episode 22

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, as we learn about Your Divine Narrative, we can see Your promises throughout generations. The promise You gave to Abraham was the same enduring promise that You gave to Jacob, and that same promise was fulfilled in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Help us see how we also receive Your promises. Please equip us with faith, trust, and endurance to face all trials knowing that You are forever faithful. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





# RACHEL & LEAH

Genesis | Episode 23

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Jacob worked seven years for Rachel, but Laban deceived Jacob, and brought Leah to him on his wedding night. Jacob agreed to work for Laban for seven more years so he could marry Rachel as well. God blessed Leah and Rachel and their servants with sons and a daughter.

## PEOPLE

**JACOB:** Jacob was the second-born son of Isaac and Rebekah, and Laban's nephew. He loved Laban's younger daughter, Rachel, and wanted to marry her. He offered to work for Laban for seven years in exchange for Rachel but ended up working 14 years for her and her sister, Leah.

**LABAN:** Laban was Jacob's uncle, and the father of Rachel and Leah. He deceived Jacob and gave him Leah on Jacob's wedding night instead of Rachel.

**RACHEL:** Rachel was Laban's younger daughter and Leah's sister. She was beautiful in form and appearance, and Jacob loved her. She married Jacob, and after years of being unable to have children, she gave birth to a son, Joseph.

**LEAH:** Leah was Laban's older daughter, and Rachel's sister. Her eyes were tender, and she was unloved by Jacob. She became Jacob's wife, and God blessed her with six sons and one daughter.

**REUBEN:** Reuben was the firstborn son of Jacob and Leah.

**SIMEON:** Simeon was the second son of Jacob and Leah.

**LEVI:** Levi was the third son of Jacob and Leah.

**JUDAH:** Judah was the fourth son of Jacob and Leah.

**BILHAH:** Bilhah was Rachel's maidservant. Rachel gave Bilhah to Jacob so that she could have children on Rachel's behalf, and Bilhah had Dan and Naphtali.

**DAN:** Dan was the fifth son of Jacob, borne by Bilhah on Rachel's behalf.

A colorful illustration of two women, Rachel and Leah, from the Bible. Rachel is on the left, with long brown hair and a purple headscarf, looking towards the viewer. Leah is on the right, with brown hair and a blue headscarf, looking slightly away. The background is a mix of purple, yellow, and blue.

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**NAPHTALI:** Naphtali was the sixth son of Jacob, borne by Bilhah on Rachel's behalf.

**ZILPAH:** Zilpah was Leah's maidservant that Leah gave to Jacob to have children on her behalf. Zilpah gave birth to two sons, Gad and Asher.

**GAD:** Gad was the seventh son of Jacob, borne by Zilpah on Leah's behalf.

**ASHER:** Asher was the eighth son of Jacob, borne by Zilpah on Leah's behalf.

**ISSACHAR:** Issachar was the ninth son of Jacob, borne by Leah.

**ZEBULUN:** Zebulun was the tenth son of Jacob, borne by Leah.

**DINAH:** Dinah was the first daughter of Jacob and Leah.

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the eleventh son of Jacob, borne by Rachel.

## PLACES

**HARAN:** Haran was a city in Paddan Aram, and it was where Rebekah's brother, Laban, lived. It was there that Jacob married Rachel and Leah and had 11 sons and one daughter.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Leah's Children** | The LORD saw that Leah was unloved, and blessed her with six sons: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, and Zebulun, and one daughter, Dinah. Leah said the LORD looked upon her humiliation and blessed her.

**Rachel's Son** | God heard Rachel's prayers and blessed her with a son, and Rachel called him Joseph.

**Jacob's Children** | God blessed Jacob with 11 sons and one daughter.

An illustration at the top of the page shows two women. On the left is a close-up of a woman with brown hair and green eyes, looking slightly to the side. On the right is a woman with brown hair, wearing a blue headscarf and a green top, looking towards the viewer.

# RACHEL & LEAH

Genesis | Episode 23

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 23, "Rachel & Leah."

1. Laban asked Jacob what wages he wanted in exchange for working for him. Jacob asked for Laban's younger daughter, Rachel, in exchange for seven years of work, and Laban agreed.
2. Jacob worked for Laban for seven years and then asked to be given Rachel as his wife.
3. Laban made a great banquet to celebrate Jacob and Rachel's marriage. That evening, Laban brought his daughter Leah to Jacob instead of Rachel. In the morning, Jacob realized that he had been deceived.
4. Jacob asked Laban why he had deceived him. Laban said that they do not give the younger daughter in marriage before the firstborn. He told Jacob to complete Leah's marriage celebration, and then Laban would give him Rachel as well. In return, Jacob had to serve Laban for another seven years.
5. Jacob agreed to take Leah as well as Rachel as his wife, but he loved Rachel more.
6. The LORD saw that Leah was unloved, and He blessed her with four sons. Leah said that the LORD saw her humiliation and blessed her, and that now Jacob would love her.
7. Rachel had no children. She told Jacob, "Give me children, or I will die!" Jacob asked if he was in the place of God. Rachel gave Jacob her servant Bilhah to have children on Rachel's behalf.
8. Jacob took Rachel's servant Bilhah as his wife, and she had two sons, Dan and Naphtali.
9. Leah realized that she was now unable to have children, so she gave her servant, Zilpah, to Jacob as a wife. Zilpah had two sons with Jacob, Gad and Asher.
10. Reuben found mandrakes in the field and brought them to his mother, Leah. Rachel offered to let Leah sleep with Jacob in exchange for the mandrakes.
11. God blessed Leah with two more sons, Issachar and Zebulun, and a daughter named Dinah.
12. God heard Rachel's prayers and blessed her with a son, and Rachel called him Joseph.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### Jacob and Rachel

1. What did Jacob ask for his wages from Laban?  
*Answer:* Jacob asked for Rachel to be his wife.
2. How were Rachel and Leah different from each other physically?  
*Answer:* Leah had tender eyes, but Rachel was beautiful in form and appearance.
3. Why did the seven years Jacob worked for Laban only seem like a few days?  
*Answer:* The seven years Jacob worked for Laban seemed like a few days because of the love Jacob had for Rachel.

An illustration at the top of the page shows a close-up of Rachel's face on the left, with her eyes looking forward. To the right, Leah is partially visible, looking towards the left. The background is a mix of colors, including purple, yellow, and blue.

# RACHEL & LEAH

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## LESSON THREE **3**

### Rachel and Leah

- 1. Jacob thought he was marrying Rachel, but when he woke up the next morning, who did he find?**  
*Answer:* Jacob woke up the morning after the wedding and found that it was Leah instead of Rachel.
- 2. What reason did Laban give for tricking Jacob and giving him Leah instead of Rachel?**  
*Answer:* Laban told Jacob that in their country, they did not give the younger daughter in marriage before the firstborn.
- 3. What did God do for Leah when He saw that she was unloved?**  
*Answer:* When God saw that Leah was unloved, He opened her womb and she gave birth to sons.

## DISCUSS

- 1. In iBIBLE Episode 21, we learned that Jacob tricked his father into thinking he was Esau so he could get Esau's blessing. In this episode, Laban tricked Jacob into marrying Laban's older daughter, Leah. Do you think these two stories are related? Why or why not?**
- 2. Laban told Jacob that he switched Leah for Rachel because in their country the older needed to be married first. Do you think this was a good reason to trick Jacob?**
- 3. How do you think Rachel felt after her father tricked Jacob into marrying her older sister Leah?**
- 4. How would you feel if you were tricked into marrying a different person than you wanted to marry?**
- 5. When Rachel's servant Bilhah gave birth to Naphtali, Rachel said, "I have wrestled mightily with my sister, and I have prevailed." What does this reveal about how Rachel saw her relationship with Leah?**
- 6. How do you think Jacob's children were affected by the competition between Rachel and Leah?**

# RACHEL & LEAH

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## MEMORY VERSES

Then Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?"

Now Laban had two daughters. The name of the older was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were weak, but Rachel was beautiful in form and appearance.

Jacob loved Rachel. And he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel!"

Genesis 29:15-18

## QUIZ

1. How many total years did Jacob work for Laban so that he could marry Rachel?  
A. Seven years    B. Fourteen years ◀    C. Ten years    D. Five years
2. How does the Bible describe the way Rachel looked?  
A. She had tender eyes.    B. She had beautiful eyes.  
C. She was plain-looking in form and appearance.    D. She was beautiful in form and appearance. ◀
3. Who did Laban bring to Jacob instead of Rachel on their wedding night?  
A. Bilhah    B. Zilpah    C. Leah ◀    D. No one
4. How did Jacob feel about Leah compared to Rachel?  
A. He loved Rachel, but he did not love Leah. ◀    B. He loved Leah more than Rachel.  
C. He loved both wives the same.    D. He did not love either wife.
5. What did Reuben find in the field and bring to his mother?  
A. Hyssop    B. An olive branch    C. Fine herbs    D. Mandrakes ◀
6. What were the names of the maidservants given to Jacob to have children on behalf of his wives?  
A. Bilhah and Leah    B. Zilpah and Dinah    C. Bilhah and Zilpah ◀    D. Bilhah and Dinah

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7. Why did the seven years Jacob worked for Laban only feel like a few days?
- A. Because of the love he had for Rachel. ◀
  - B. Because his work was easy.
  - C. Because Laban was kind to him.
  - D. Because he loved the work he was doing.
8. What did Leah say when she gave birth to her fourth son?
- A. Now my husband will approve of me.
  - B. Now my husband will remember me.
  - C. Now my husband will take care of me.
  - D. Now my husband will love me. ◀
9. What did Rachel say to Jacob when she could not have children?
- A. Give me children, or I will run away!
  - B. Give me children, or I will die! ◀
  - C. Give me children, or I will faint!
  - D. Give me children, or I will weep!
10. What happened when God answered Rachel's prayer?
- A. She was healed from her illness.
  - B. She became wealthy.
  - C. She gave birth to a son. ◀
  - D. She gained more sheep in her flocks.

## PRAY

Dear God, Your Word reveals to us Your plan to redeem and restore mankind from the very beginning. You worked powerfully through Jacob, Rachel, Leah, and their servants to help accomplish Your plan by blessing them with children. As we read more from Your Word, help us to focus our eyes on Your enduring mercy and grace toward Your people, including us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# JACOB LEAVES HARAN

Genesis | Episode 24

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Jacob asked Laban to let him return to his country, Canaan. Laban convinced him to stay by agreeing to give him the speckled and spotted sheep and goats from his flock. But Laban quickly removed these from his flock. Jacob continued to care for Laban's flocks and God blessed Jacob. Jacob, his wives, and all that he had, fled to Canaan.

## PEOPLE

**JACOB:** Jacob was Laban's nephew, and the husband to Rachel and Leah. He had 11 sons and one daughter. He fled Laban's house to return to his homeland.

**LABAN:** Laban was Jacob's uncle and he lived in the land of Haran. Laban changed Jacob's wages and did not give him the speckled and spotted sheep and goats as he promised.

**RACHEL:** Rachel was Laban's younger daughter, Leah's sister, and Jacob's wife. She stole her father's household gods as Jacob's household prepared to flee from Laban.

**LEAH:** Leah was Laban's oldest daughter, Rachel's sister, and Jacob's wife. She agreed, along with Rachel, that it was time to leave Laban's house.

## PLACES

**HARAN:** Haran was a city in Paddan Aram, and it was where Jacob lived with his wives and children.

**BETHEL:** Bethel was a town in Canaan. It was there that Jacob dreamed and saw a ladder reaching from earth to Heaven. Jacob had set up a pillar there, and anointed it with oil, and vowed to serve the LORD.

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and was Jacob's homeland.

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**EUPHRATES RIVER:** Jacob and his household crossed the Euphrates River when he was fleeing from Laban's house.

**GILEAD:** After Jacob and his household crossed the Euphrates River, they set out for the hill country of Gilead.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Return to Canaan** | God instructed Jacob to leave Haran and to return to Canaan where Jacob was born.

### GOD'S PROTECTION

**Safety** | God was with Jacob, and did not allow Laban to do him any harm.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Flocks** | God caused the sheep and goats to have speckled and spotted offspring so they would be Jacob's.

**Prosperity** | Even though Laban mistreated Jacob and was dishonest with him, God protected and prospered Jacob.

### GOD'S REVELATION

**God's Presence** | God revealed Himself to Jacob saying that He was the God of Bethel, where Jacob had set up a pillar, anointed it with oil, and made his vow to the LORD.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Laban** | Laban said that the LORD had blessed him because of Jacob.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 24, "Jacob Leaves Haran."**

1. Jacob asked Laban if he could return to his own country with his household. Laban told Jacob to name his wages, and he would pay it.
2. Jacob said that he would continue to work for Laban on the condition that he could pass through all of Laban's flocks and pick out the speckled, spotted, and brown sheep and goats for himself, and Laban agreed.



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3. After agreeing to let Jacob take the animals, Laban quickly took all his speckled, spotted, and brown sheep and goats, gave them to his sons, and put a three-day distance between them and Jacob.
4. Jacob cared for the rest of Laban's flock just as he had promised.
5. During breeding season, Jacob set up fresh branches in the water troughs. The branches had some of the bark peeled away to show the white underneath. When the flock came to drink, they saw the branches as they bred.
6. Jacob bred a special speckled and spotted flock for himself that he separated from Laban's flocks. God blessed Jacob and increased his animals and servants.
7. The sons of Laban complained that Jacob had become rich by taking from their father, and Jacob heard this. The LORD told him to return to his homeland of Canaan.
8. Jacob told Rachel and Leah that it was time to leave, and that God had instructed him to return to his homeland. They told Jacob that their father had sold them, so that they were like foreigners in his house. They agreed to leave.
9. While Laban was away shearing his sheep, Jacob quickly gathered his household, and prepared to leave.
10. As they were gathering all their belongings, Rachel stole her father's household gods.
11. Jacob fled from Laban's house, crossing the Euphrates River and going into Gilead.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Jacob's Wages

1. What did Jacob request his wages to be?

*Answer:* Jacob requested that he go through Laban's flocks and pick out all the speckled, spotted, and brown animals, and those would be his wages.

2. How did Laban cheat Jacob out of his agreed-upon wages?

*Answer:* Laban quickly removed every speckled, spotted, and brown sheep and goat from his flocks, gave them to his sons, and put a three-day distance between them and Jacob.

3. What did Jacob do after Laban removed the speckled and spotted animals that were to be his own flock?

*Answer:* Jacob set up branches with peeled bark in the water troughs, so the flock would see them when they came to drink and breed. The animals bred speckled and spotted offspring, and he placed them away from Laban's flocks.

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## LESSON THREE 3

### Jacob's Decision

1. How did Laban's sons react when they saw Jacob's flocks increasing?

*Answer:* Laban's sons complained and said that Jacob had taken from their father and become rich.

2. What did the LORD say to Jacob when Jacob realized Laban did not regard him as before?

*Answer:* The LORD told Jacob to return to the land of his fathers and to his kindred, and He would be with him.

3. Name three reasons Rachel and Leah gave for agreeing with Jacob that it was time to leave their father's house.

*Answer:* Rachel and Leah agreed it was time to leave because:

1. There was no inheritance left for them.
2. Their father had sold them, and they were like foreigners in his house.
3. All the wealth God had taken from their father now belonged to them and their children.

4. What did Rachel take from her father's house before they left?

*Answer:* Rachel took Laban's household gods.

## DISCUSS

1. Why do you think Laban kept taking advantage of his nephew, Jacob?

2. Why do you think Jacob was willing to work for Laban even though Laban kept cheating him?

3. What do you think Jacob thought of his Uncle Laban after being treated so badly by him?

4. How do you think Leah and Rachel thought about their father after they saw him cheating Jacob?

5. God kept blessing Jacob even though Laban was cheating him. What does this tell us about God?

6. Why do you think Rachel took her father's household gods?

# JACOB LEAVES HARAN

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## MEMORY VERSES

And [Jacob] said to them, "I see that your father does not regard me with favor as he did before. But the God of my father has been with me. You know that I have served your father with all my strength, yet your father has cheated me and changed my wages ten times.

"But God did not permit him to harm me."

Genesis 31:5-7

## QUIZ

1. Where did Jacob tell Laban he wanted to go?  
A. To Egypt    B. To Haran    C. To his own country     D. To Bethel
2. What did Laban say that the LORD had done for him because of Jacob?  
A. Healed him    B. Blessed him     C. Commanded him    D. Spoken to him
3. Jacob asked for what kind of sheep and goats and their offspring as his wages?  
A. Speckled    B. Spotted    C. Brown    D. All of the above
4. What was visible under the bark of the branches that Jacob set before the breeding livestock?  
A. The white of the branch     B. The green of the branch  
C. The gray of the branch    D. The brown of the branch
5. Who began to complain as Jacob's flocks increased?  
A. Laban    B. Laban's sons     C. Laban's daughters    D. The shepherds
6. Where did the LORD tell Jacob to return to?  
A. To Mamre    B. To Egypt    C. To Laban's household    D. To the land of his fathers
7. How many times did Jacob say Laban had changed his wages?  
A. Seven times    B. Five times    C. Ten times     D. Once

# JACOB LEAVES HARAN

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8. What did Rachel steal from her father?

- A. His sheep    B. His gold    C. His robes    D. His household gods ◀

9. After leaving Haran, where did Jacob go?

- A. Gilead ◀    B. Egypt    C. Beersheba    D. Canaan

10. Jacob left with all his possessions and family and flocks while Laban was doing what?

- A. Celebrating with his family    B. In another country  
C. Shearing his sheep ◀    D. Sleeping

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, just as Jacob trusted You for protection as he left Laban's house, equip us with faith as well. Even when we cannot see a path out of difficult situations in this life, help us to place our trust in Your ability to provide all that we need. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# TREATY WITH LABAN

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

When Laban learned that Jacob had fled, he pursued him. After seven days, Laban overtook Jacob. God warned Laban in a dream not to say anything, good or bad, to Jacob. Laban searched for his stolen gods, but did not find them. Rachel had hidden the gods in her saddle.

## PEOPLE

**JACOB:** Jacob was Laban's nephew, and was married to Laban's two daughters, Rachel and Leah. He had 11 sons and one daughter. He fled Laban's household, and Laban pursued and overtook him. They made a treaty together that they would not harm one another.

**LABAN:** Laban was Jacob's uncle, and the father of Jacob's two wives. When Jacob fled with all his household, Laban pursued and overtook him. He and Jacob made a treaty and agreed that they would not harm one another.

**RACHEL:** Rachel was one of Jacob's wives, Laban's daughter, and Leah's sister. She had stolen Laban's household gods, and hid them in a camel saddle which she sat on.

**LEAH:** Leah was one of Jacob's wives, Laban's daughter, and Rachel's sister. She fled from Laban's house along with all of Jacob's household.

**LABAN'S KINSMEN:** When Jacob and his whole household left Laban, Laban took his kinsmen to pursue Jacob.

## PLACES

**THE HILLS OF GILEAD:** Jacob made a covenant with his uncle Laban in the hills of Gilead.

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S COMMAND

**Speech** | God warned Laban in a dream not to say anything to Jacob, either good or bad.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Safety** | God protected Jacob and his household from being harmed by Laban.

**Animals** | God provided Jacob with great flocks.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Guidance** | God was with Jacob as he and his household fled from Laban's house.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 25, "Treaty With Laban."**

1. Laban learned that Jacob had fled, and he gathered his family and chased Jacob until he overtook him.
2. God had warned Laban in a dream not to say anything to Jacob, good or bad.
3. Laban and his kinsmen confronted Jacob about why he had carried away his daughters. Laban said that it was in his power to do him harm, but God had warned him in a dream. Jacob said he was afraid that Laban would take his daughters from him by force.
4. Laban asked why Jacob stole his household gods. Jacob did not know that Rachel had stolen them and said that whoever was found with the household gods would die.
5. Laban searched through all of Jacob's tents but did not find the idols. Rachel hid them in a camel's saddle, sat on it, and told her father that she could not get up to greet him because she was having her period.
6. Jacob confronted Laban and asked why he had pursued him, and searched their tents for his gods. He said that he had served Laban for 20 years, and Laban had changed his wages ten times. Jacob said that if God had not been with him, Laban would have sent him away empty-handed.
7. Laban said that everything Jacob had belonged to Laban, including his wives and children. Laban asked Jacob to make a covenant between them.
8. Jacob made a pillar of stones and they agreed before the LORD that they would do each other no harm. They ate together that night, and in the morning, Laban kissed his daughters and his grandchildren and left.

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## LESSON TWO 2

### Laban's Pursuit

1. What did Laban do when he realized that Jacob had fled?

*Answer:* Laban gathered his kinsmen together and pursued Jacob.

2. What warning did God give to Laban?

*Answer:* God warned Laban in a dream, "Be careful not to say anything to Jacob, either good or bad."

3. What did Laban say he would have done for Jacob and his family if Jacob had told him they were leaving?

*Answer:* Laban said he would have sent them away with joy and singing.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Final Words with Laban

1. How did Rachel hide the household gods she had stolen?

*Answer:* Rachel hid the household gods in a camel's saddle and sat on it, telling her father she could not get up because she was having her period.

2. How long did Jacob say he had served Laban, and what did Jacob say Laban had done with his wages?

*Answer:* Jacob said he had served Laban for 20 years, and in return Laban had changed his wages ten times.

3. Laban said that Jacob's wives, children, and flocks were whose?

*Answer:* Laban said the wives were his, the children were his children, the flocks were his flocks, and all that Jacob saw belonged to him.

## DISCUSS

1. How do you think Jacob felt leaving Laban after working for him for 20 years?

2. Why do you think God warned Laban in a dream not to say anything, good or bad, to Jacob?

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3. Laban said that he could have sent Jacob's household away with joy and singing. Given what we know of Laban's character, do you think this is what he would have done? Why or why not?
4. Jacob said that whoever took Laban's household gods would be killed. What do you think Jacob would have done had they discovered that Rachel had stolen the gods?
5. Laban said that Leah and Rachel, their children, and all Jacob's flocks belonged to Laban. Why do you think he said this? Do you think he was right?
6. Why do you think Laban suggested that he and Jacob make a covenant together?

## MEMORY VERSES

"These twenty years I have been in your house. I served you fourteen years for your two daughters, and six years for your flock, and you have changed my wages ten times. If the God of my father, the God of Abraham and the Fear of Isaac, had not been on my side, surely now you would have sent me away empty-handed."

Genesis 31:41-42a

## QUIZ

1. Who did Laban bring with him to pursue Jacob and his household?  
A. His kinsmen  B. His neighbors  C. Hired soldiers  D. No one; he went by himself
2. How did God warn Laban against harming Jacob?  
A. Through a prophet  B. In a vision  C. In a dream  D. By sending a sign
3. How did Laban tell Jacob he could have sent Jacob and his family away?  
A. With great gifts and wealth  B. With servants and animals   
C. With a covenant  D. With joy and singing



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4. What did Jacob say he was afraid Laban would do if he told him he was leaving?  
A. Kill him    B. Rob him    C. Take his flocks    D. Take Rachel and Leah from him by force ◀
5. Who had stolen Laban's household gods?  
A. Jacob    B. Rachel ◀    C. Leah    D. A servant
6. What did Jacob say would happen to the one who took Laban's household gods?  
A. They would pay a fine.    B. They would be sent away.  
C. They would be sold as a slave.    D. They would not remain alive. ◀
7. Where did Rachel hide the household gods she had stolen?  
A. In a blanket    B. In a grain sack    C. In a camel's saddle that she sat on ◀    D. Buried in the ground
8. Why did Rachel say she could not get up to greet her father?  
A. She was on her period. ◀    B. She was ill.    C. She was tired.    D. She was tending to a child.
9. How many total years did Jacob say he had worked for Laban?  
A. 20 years ◀    B. 5 years    C. 14 years    D. 7 years
10. Jacob said that if God had not been with him, Laban would have what?  
A. Stolen from him    B. Sent him away empty-handed ◀    C. Harmed him    D. Spoken badly of him

## PRAY

Dear God, You protected Jacob when he was confronted by Laban and Laban's kinsmen. In doing so, You not only protected his life, but the line that would—years later—lead to Jesus. Thank You for protecting Your people, including us. Help us to trust You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# JACOB TO ISRAEL

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Jacob became afraid after hearing that Esau was approaching, so he divided his camp and prayed to God. A Man appeared to Jacob, and they began to wrestle through the night. The Man blessed Jacob and changed his name to Israel. The next day, Esau ran toward Jacob and embraced him.

## PEOPLE

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob was married to the two daughters of Laban, Leah and Rachel, as well as their maidservants. He had 11 sons and one daughter. He was blessed by a Man Who renamed him Israel. He returned to Canaan and reunited with his brother, Esau.

**ESAU:** Esau was the older brother of Jacob (Israel). Esau came to meet Jacob with 400 men, which frightened Jacob, but when they met, Esau embraced Jacob and wept.

**RACHEL:** Rachel was Leah's sister, one of Jacob's (Israel's) wives, and the mother of Joseph.

**LEAH:** Leah was Rachel's sister, one of Jacob's (Israel's) wives, and the mother of six of Jacob's sons and his daughter.

**THE MAN:** A Man wrestled with Jacob, and when He could not prevail against him, the Man dislocated Jacob's hip by touching it. He blessed Jacob and renamed him Israel.

**THE MAIDSERVANTS:** Jacob's (Israel's) wives gave him their maidservants. This was so that the maidservants could have children on behalf of Jacob's wives.

**ESAU'S 400 MEN:** Esau came to meet Jacob's (Israel's) household with 400 men.

**JACOB'S SERVANTS:** Jacob (Israel) was attended by servants, who were part of his household.

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## PLACES

**THE HILLS OF GILEAD:** Jacob (Israel) made a covenant with his uncle Laban in the hills of Gilead.

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it was where Jacob and his family lived. Jacob traveled with his family, servants, and flocks toward his homeland of Canaan, as the LORD had instructed him to do.

**SEIR:** Jacob (Israel) sent messengers ahead of him to meet his brother Esau in the land of Seir, which was in the country of Edom.

**EDOM:** Edom was where Esau, Jacob's (Israel's) brother, lived. It was there that Jacob sent messengers ahead of him to meet his brother Esau.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S BLESSING

**New Name** | After Jacob wrestled with the Man and the Man dislocated Jacob's hip, He blessed Jacob and gave him a new name, Israel.

**Possessions** | God had blessed Jacob (Israel) with great herds and servants and wealth, so that he was able to give a gift of many flocks to Esau when they reunited.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 26, "Jacob to Israel."**

1. Jacob continued with his household toward Canaan. On the way, Jacob was met by the angels of God and he said, "This is God's camp!"
2. Jacob sent messengers to his brother Esau and told them to tell Esau that he had been living with Laban, and now had great herds and servants.
3. The messengers returned to Jacob and told him that Esau was coming to meet him with 400 men. Jacob was very afraid and split his household and livestock into groups, saying, "If one is attacked, the other can escape."

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4. Jacob prayed for God to protect and deliver him from Esau. He reminded the LORD of His promise to be good to him and make his descendants as numerous as the sands of the sea.
5. Jacob gathered hundreds of livestock animals as a gift for Esau, and sent them in herds ahead of him. As each servant met Esau with their herd, they were told to say that it was a gift for Esau. Jacob hoped to make Esau happy with these gifts.
6. While the servants journeyed toward Esau, Jacob remained in the camp. He gathered his wives and children, and sent them across the stream.
7. A Man appeared and wrestled with Jacob through the night. When the Man saw that He could not defeat Jacob, He dislocated Jacob's hip by touching it.
8. Jacob told the Man he would not let Him go until He blessed him. The Man renamed him Israel because he had struggled with God and with men and prevailed, and He blessed Jacob.
9. Jacob (Israel) saw his brother Esau approaching with 400 men. Jacob gathered his family and placed the two maidservants with their children in the front, Leah with her children next, and Rachel and Joseph last.
10. Jacob (Israel) went ahead of his family, bowing as he approached Esau. Esau ran toward him, embraced and kissed him, and they wept.
11. Jacob (Israel) set his tent up outside Shechem, and purchased land from the sons of Hamor. Jacob also set up an altar which he called El-Elohe-Israel, which meant "God, the God of Israel."

## LESSON TWO 2

### Jacob's Preparations

1. What did Jacob say when he was met by the angels of God?  
*Answer:* Jacob said, "This is God's camp!"
2. What did Jacob hear that Esau was doing that made him afraid?  
*Answer:* Jacob heard that Esau was coming to meet him with 400 men.
3. What did Jacob send ahead of him with servants, hoping to make Esau happy?  
*Answer:* Jacob sent hundreds of livestock animals in several herds as a gift.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Brothers Reunite

1. Why did Jacob (Israel) name the place where he wrestled with the Man, "Peniel"?  
*Answer:* Jacob (Israel) called the place Peniel, meaning "face of God," because he had seen God face to face, and he was still alive.

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2. How did Jacob (Israel) arrange his wives and children as they approached Esau?

*Answer:* Jacob (Israel) put the two maidservants with their children in the front, Leah with her children next, and Rachel and Joseph last.

3. What did Esau do when he and Jacob (Israel) finally met after 20 years?

*Answer:* Esau ran toward him, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him, and together, they wept.

## DISCUSS

1. Do you think Jacob had a good reason to be afraid of seeing his brother again?

2. Jacob (Israel) said he would not let the Man go unless He blessed him. Why do you think he said this?

3. What do you think the Man meant when He told Jacob (Israel), “You have struggled with God and with men, and you have prevailed”?

4. As they approached Esau and his 400 men, Jacob (Israel) put the two maidservants with their children in the front, Leah with her children next, and Rachel and Joseph last. Why do you think Jacob arranged them in this way?

5. How do you think Jacob (Israel) felt when he was finally reunited with Esau, and realized he and his family were safe?

6. Why do you think Esau was so happy to see his brother, Jacob (Israel), even after Jacob had stolen Esau’s blessing 20 years earlier?

## MEMORY VERSES

Then he said, “Your name shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with men, and have prevailed.”

So Jacob called the name of the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life has been delivered.”

Genesis 32:28, 30

# JACOB TO ISRAEL

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## QUIZ

1. Where was Jacob traveling to in this episode?

- A. To Seir    B. To Canaan ◀    C. To Haran    D. To Egypt

2. Who had Jacob met when he said, "This is God's camp!"

- A. Laban and his family    B. Laban's kinsmen    C. Isaac's servants    D. The angels of God ◀

3. How many men were coming with Esau to meet Jacob?

- A. 100 men    B. 500 men    C. 400 men ◀    D. 200 men

4. What did Jacob do with his flocks and household because he was afraid of Esau?

- A. He split them into two camps. ◀    B. He left them in the wilderness.  
C. He grouped them all together.    D. He put them behind hired warriors.

5. Jacob told God that he had crossed the Jordon with only his what?

- A. Livestock    B. Family    C. Robe    D. Staff ◀

6. What new name did the Man give Jacob?

- A. Reuben    B. Israel ◀    C. Isaac    D. Joseph

7. Jacob (Israel) named the place he wrestled with the Man "Peniel," which means what?

- A. "The Lord provides"    B. "The God who sees"    C. "Face of God" ◀    D. "God will fight for me"

8. Who sold Jacob (Israel) the land where he settled?

- A. Esau    B. The sons of Hamor ◀    C. Abimelech    D. The Ishmaelites

9. What did Jacob (Israel) build in Succoth?

- A. A well    B. An altar    C. A pillar    D. A home and shelters for his herds ◀

10. Jacob (Israel) built an altar which he called El-Elohe-Israel, meaning what?

- A. "Face of God"    B. "The God, the God of Abraham"  
C. "God, the God of Israel" ◀    D. "God will provide"



# JACOB TO ISRAEL

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## PRAY

Dear God, You are the One Who fixes broken relationships. Just as You heard Jacob's prayer for safety and protected him from the wrath of his brother, and just as You brought them together in brotherly love, help us to reconcile with those in our lives where our relationships are broken. Strengthen us in the knowledge that You are powerful to do so. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE ATTACK ON DINAH

Genesis | Episode 27

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

When Shechem saw Dinah, he seized her and forced himself on her. Hamor asked Jacob to give Dinah to his son Shechem as his wife. The sons of Jacob agreed but only if the men of Shechem were circumcised. On the third day, Simeon and Levi killed every male in the city.

## PEOPLE

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob (Israel) was married to Leah and Rachel, as well as to their maidservants. He had 11 sons and one daughter. When he found out that Shechem had taken his daughter, Dinah, and forced himself on her, he held his peace until his sons returned.

**LEAH:** Leah was Jacob's (Israel's) wife and Rachel's sister. She was the mother of Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Zebulun, and Dinah.

**DINAH:** Dinah was the daughter of Jacob (Israel) by Leah. She was taken by Shechem, the son of the ruler of the city. He forced himself on Dinah, and wanted to marry her.

**SHECHEM:** Shechem was the son of Hamor, the prince of the land. He took Dinah and forced himself on her. He wanted to marry her, and he and his father approached Jacob (Israel) with an offer of marriage.

**HAMOR:** Hamor was the prince of the land of Shechem. He approached Jacob along with his son, Shechem, with an offer of marriage for Dinah, after Shechem forced himself on her. He wanted his people to intermarry and do business with Jacob's (Israel's) people.

**SIMEON:** Simeon was the second-born son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah, and the sister of Dinah. He and Levi were very angry after Shechem forced himself on their sister. They tricked the people of Shechem into getting circumcised and then, when the men were in pain, they came and killed them all.

**LEVI:** Levi was the third son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah, and the brother of Dinah. He and Simeon were very angry after Shechem forced himself on Dinah. They tricked the people of Shechem into getting circumcised and then when the men were in pain, they came and killed them all.



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**MEN OF SHECHEM:** All the men of Shechem listened to what Hamor and his son had to say about uniting with the people of Jacob (Israel). They wanted to intermarry and do business with Jacob's people, so they agreed to be circumcised.

**WOMEN AND CHILDREN OF SHECHEM:** The sons of Jacob (Israel) entered the city of Shechem, killing all the men, and capturing the wives and children.

**CANAANITES AND PERIZZITES:** After Simeon and Levi killed all the men of Shechem, Jacob (Israel) told them they had ruined his reputation with the local inhabitants, the Canaanites and the Perizzites. Jacob was afraid that they would align themselves against him and attack him and his household.

## PLACES

**SHECHEM:** Shechem was a city in the land of Canaan. Jacob (Israel) settled outside the city and purchased land from the sons of Hamor. In this episode, the city of Shechem was destroyed by Simeon and Levi.

**BETHEL:** Bethel was a town in Canaan. After Simeon and Levi killed all the men of Shechem with the sword, the LORD told Jacob (Israel) to go to Bethel and live there.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Worship** | The LORD told Jacob (Israel) to go and live in Bethel, and to make an altar to God Who appeared to him when he fled from Esau.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Possessions** | God provided much livestock and wealth for Jacob's (Israel's) family.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**God's Presence** | The LORD reminded Jacob (Israel) of when He appeared to him when he fled from his brother Esau.

**God's Faithfulness** | Jacob (Israel) said he would go build an altar for God Who answered him when he was in distress and Who stayed with him wherever he went.

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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 27, "The Attack on Dinah."**

1. Dinah was visiting the young women of the city of Shechem, and Shechem, the son of the local ruler, seized her and forced himself on her.
2. Jacob (Israel) heard that Shechem had defiled his daughter, but he did not say anything until his sons returned.
3. Hamor came with his son, Shechem, to ask Jacob (Israel) for Dinah to be Shechem's wife.
4. Jacob's (Israel's) sons were outraged by what Shechem had done.
5. Hamor proposed that Dinah and Shechem marry, and that Jacob's (Israel's) household and the people of Shechem intermarry.
6. The sons of Jacob (Israel) answered Shechem and Hamor deceitfully, saying that if their men were circumcised, they would grant their request.
7. Hamor and Shechem agreed to be circumcised and they convinced the men of the city of Shechem to be circumcised as well.
8. On the third day after all the men in the city of Shechem were circumcised, Simeon and Levi killed every male, plundered the city, took the wives and children captive, and left with Dinah.
9. Jacob (Israel) rebuked Simeon and Levi for killing the men of Shechem, saying that the opinion of the Canaanites and the Perizzites toward them was ruined, and that they might join together and attack him.
10. God told Jacob (Israel) to go to Bethel and make an altar there.
11. Jacob (Israel) told his household to get rid of their foreign gods and purify themselves. They did, and Jacob buried their earrings and foreign gods under a tree.
12. A terror from God fell upon the surrounding cities as Jacob (Israel) and his household traveled to Bethel.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### Dinah Is Taken

1. What happened to Dinah when she went out to see the women in the city?  
*Answer:* Shechem, the son of the ruler of the land, seized Dinah and forced himself on her.
2. How did Dinah's brothers react when they heard what had happened to her?  
*Answer:* They were outraged and made a plan to kill the men of Shechem.
3. What did Jacob (Israel) do when he heard about what had happened to Dinah?  
*Answer:* Jacob (Israel) restrained himself until his sons came back from the field.

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## LESSON THREE **3**

### The Brothers' Revenge

- 1. What did Hamor propose could be the relationship between his people and Jacob's (Israel's) people?**  
*Answer:* Hamor proposed that his people and Jacob's (Israel's) people could intermarry, live together, and do business together.
- 2. What was the condition Jacob's (Israel's) sons gave to Shechem and Hamor for agreeing to intermarry with them?**  
*Answer:* Simeon and Levi said that all the men of the city must be circumcised.
- 3. What did Simeon and Levi do to the people of Shechem on the third day when the men were all in pain?**  
*Answer:* Simeon and Levi killed all the men, captured the women and children, and took spoils from Shechem.

## DISCUSS

- 1. Why do you think Jacob (Israel) wanted to wait for his sons to return before reacting to what happened to Dinah?**
- 2. Do you think God was pleased with how Simeon and Levi reacted to the attack on their sister? Why or why not?**
- 3. How do you think Dinah felt about what her brothers did to the people of Shechem?**
- 4. After the events at Shechem, Jacob (Israel) told his household to get rid of their foreign gods, and to purify themselves. Why do you think Jacob felt this was necessary before they went to Bethel?**
- 5. Why do you think God caused a terror to come upon the surrounding cities as Jacob and his household traveled away from Shechem?**
- 6. How do you see God blessing and protecting Jacob's (Israel's) family, even in the midst of the attack on Dinah and the violence that followed?**

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## MEMORY VERSES

Now Dinah the daughter of Leah, whom she had borne to Jacob, went out to see the women of the land. And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, the prince of the land, saw her, he seized her and lay with her and humiliated her.

The sons of Jacob had come in from the field as soon as they heard of it, and the men were indignant and very angry, because he had done an outrageous thing in Israel by lying with Jacob's daughter, for such a thing must not be done.

Genesis 34:1-2, 7

## QUIZ

1. What did Dinah go out to see in Shechem?  
A. The great wealth of the land      B. The cities of the land  
C. The altars of the land      D. The women of the land ◀
2. Who seized Dinah and forced himself on her?  
A. Hamor      B. Shechem ◀      C. Hamor's servant      D. Shechem's servant
3. What did Jacob (Israel) do when he heard what happened to Dinah?  
A. He confronted Shechem.      B. He went to get Dinah.  
C. He wept.      D. He waited until his sons returned. ◀
4. Who came to Jacob (Israel) to ask for Dinah to be Shechem's wife?  
A. Hamor      B. Shechem      C. Hamor and his son, Shechem ◀      D. Jacob's sons
5. What did the sons of Jacob (Israel) say the men of Shechem must do so that Shechem could marry Dinah?  
A. They must give great gifts.      B. They must build an altar to the true God.  
C. They must all be circumcised. ◀      D. They must defeat Jacob's enemies.

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6. What state were the men of Shechem in on the third day after becoming circumcised?
- A. They were in pain. ◀      B. They were ready to fight.  
C. They were very tired.      D. They were sad.
7. What did Simeon and Levi do to all the men of Shechem?
- A. They circumcised them.      B. They killed them. ◀  
C. They rebuked them.      D. They made a treaty with them.
8. What were the names of the two local people groups that Jacob (Israel) was afraid of?
- A. Canaanites and Perizzites ◀      B. Hittites and Hivites  
C. Ishmaelites and Edomites      D. Egyptians and Cushites
9. After Jacob's (Israel's) sons killed the men of Shechem, what did they do to the city?
- A. Burned it down      B. Plundered it ◀      C. Broke down all the walls      D. Took it as their own
10. What did Jacob (Israel) bury under the oak tree that was by Shechem?
- A. A book and a scroll      B. Garments and rings      C. Gold and silver      D. Foreign gods and earrings ◀

## PRAY

Dear Heavenly Father, in this world full of sin and suffering, in all the wrongs we experience, we pray that You will grant us peace and endurance. Help us to forgive those who wrong us in our own lives and help us to put our trust in Your justice, which is perfect. And where our forgiveness falls short, and we still feel resentment and hurt, forgive us, Lord. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE BIRTH OF BENJAMIN

Genesis | Episode 28

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

God appeared to Jacob as he journeyed to Canaan and blessed him. Rachel went into hard labor, and named her son Ben-oni as she died. Jacob called him Benjamin. Rachel was buried in Bethlehem, and Isaac died an old man, and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

## PEOPLE

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob (Israel) was married to Leah and Rachel, as well as to their maidservants. He had 12 sons and one daughter. His wife, Rachel, died giving birth to his youngest son, Benjamin. The LORD gave Jacob a new name, Israel.

**ESAU:** Esau was the son of Isaac, and the brother of Jacob (Israel). After Isaac's death, he gathered his household and left Canaan, because his and Jacob's possessions were too great for them to live together.

**RACHEL:** Rachel was Jacob's (Israel's) wife, along with her sister, Leah. She was the mother of Joseph, and she died giving birth to her second son, Benjamin.

**DEBORAH:** Deborah was Rebekah's nurse. She died and was buried below El-bethel, under an oak, which was given the name Allon-bacuth, meaning "oak of weeping."

**BENJAMIN:** Benjamin was the second son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. Rachel named her son Ben-oni, meaning "son of my sorrow" because she died giving birth to Benjamin. Jacob called him Benjamin, meaning "son of my right hand."

**REUBEN:** Reuben was the firstborn son of Jacob (Israel) by Leah. He slept with Jacob's concubine Bilhah and his father heard about it.

**BILHAH:** Bilhah was Rachel's maidservant that she had given to Jacob (Israel) to have children on Rachel's behalf. Reuben slept with Bilhah.

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## PLACES

**SHECHEM:** Shechem was a city in the land of Canaan where Jacob (Israel) initially settled. Simeon and Levi killed all the men of Shechem because the ruler of the city forced himself on their sister, Dinah. After that, Jacob's family left Shechem.

**BETHEL:** Bethel was a town in Canaan. It was there that Jacob (Israel) dreamed he saw a ladder reaching up to Heaven. To mark the place, Jacob set up a pillar and made a vow to the LORD.

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it was where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived. Jacob and his household traveled to Bethel in the land of Canaan.

**EL-BETHEL:** Jacob (Israel) built an altar at Bethel and called the place El-bethel because it was there that God had appeared to him when he fled from his brother Esau.

**ALLON-BACUTH:** Rebekah's nurse, Deborah, died and was buried below El-bethel under an oak which they named Allon-bacuth, meaning the "oak of weeping."

**EPHRATH:** Rachel was buried on the journey to Ephrath, which is also called Bethlehem.

**BETHLEHEM:** Bethlehem was another name for Ephrath. Rachel died and was buried on the journey to Ephrath.

**EDAR:** Edar was a city in Canaan, thought to be near Bethlehem. Jacob (Israel) continued his travels and pitched his tent past the tower of Edar.

**HEBRON:** Hebron was a city in Canaan, in the hills of Judea. Jacob (Israel) returned to see his father in Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac had lived as foreigners.

**SEIR:** Seir was a hill country near the Dead Sea. It was in Seir that Esau became the father of the Edomites.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S INSTRUCTION

**Be Fruitful and Multiply** | God told Jacob (Israel) to be fruitful and multiply, and that a group of nations would come from him, and kings would descend from him.

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Land** | God told Jacob (Israel) that the land which He gave to Abraham and Isaac He would give to Jacob and his descendants.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Possessions** | After the death of Isaac, Jacob (Israel) and Esau separated their households, because God had blessed them both with great livestock and herds.

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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 28, "The Birth of Benjamin."

1. Jacob (Israel) and all those who were with him arrived at Bethel in the land of Canaan, and he built an altar, calling the place El-bethel.
2. Deborah, Rebekah's nurse, died, and was buried under an oak tree.
3. God appeared to Jacob (Israel) and blessed him. In that place, Jacob set up a stone pillar and poured a drink offering and oil on it, naming it Bethel.
4. Jacob (Israel) and his family journeyed toward Ephrath, and during their journey, Rachel went into hard labor.
5. Rachel died giving birth to her son, whom she named Ben-oni, but Jacob (Israel) called him Benjamin.
6. Rachel was buried on the way to Ephrath, which is also called Bethlehem. Jacob (Israel) set up a pillar over Rachel's tomb.
7. Jacob (Israel) continued his travels and pitched his tent beyond the tower of Edar.
8. Reuben, Jacob's (Israel's) oldest son, slept with Bilhah, his father's concubine, and Jacob heard about it.
9. Jacob (Israel) returned to see his father in Hebron. There Isaac died and was buried by his sons, Esau and Jacob.
10. Esau gathered his household and all that he had, and traveled to a new country. He settled in Seir, and he became the father of the Edomites.

### LESSON TWO **2**

#### Jacob's Dream

1. What did Jacob (Israel) name the place where God spoke with him?  
*Answer:* Jacob (Israel) named the place where God spoke with him Bethel.
2. When speaking to Jacob (Israel), what name did God call Himself by, and what does that name mean?  
*Answer:* God called Himself El Shaddai, and it means God Almighty.
3. What did Jacob (Israel) set up where the LORD appeared to him, and what did he pour out on it?  
*Answer:* Jacob (Israel) set up a pillar of stone, and he poured a drink offering and oil on it.



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## LESSON THREE **3**

### Rachel's Death

1. What did the midwife tell Rachel when she was having hard labor?

*Answer:* The midwife told Rachel, "Do not be afraid. You have another son."

2. What did Rachel name the son she gave birth to and what did the name mean?

*Answer:* Rachel named her son "Ben-oni," and it meant "son of my sorrow."

3. After Rachel's death, what did Reuben do?

*Answer:* Reuben slept with Bilhah, his father's concubine.

## DISCUSS

1. How do you think Jacob (Israel) felt as he came back to Bethel, the place where God had first appeared to him over 20 years ago?

2. As Rachel was having great difficulties in giving birth the midwife said, "Do not be afraid. You have another son." Why do you think she said this while Rachel was dying?

3. As Rachel was dying, she named her son "Ben-oni," meaning "son of my sorrow." Why do you think she named him this?

4. Rachel had named her son "Ben-oni," but Jacob (Israel) called him Benjamin, which meant "son of my right hand." Why do you think Jacob renamed him?

5. Why do you think Reuben slept with Bilhah, his father's concubine? Do you think it was his intent to dishonor his father?

6. How do you think Jacob (Israel) felt when he learned that his oldest son, Reuben, had slept with his concubine?

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## MEMORY VERSES

When they were still some distance from Ephrath, Rachel went into labor, and she had hard labor. And when her labor was at its hardest, the midwife said to her, "Do not fear, for you have another son."

And as her soul was departing (for she was dying), she called his name Ben-oni; but his father called him Benjamin. So Rachel died, and she was buried on the way to Ephrath (that is, Bethlehem).

Genesis 35:16b-19

## QUIZ

1. Who died and was buried under the oak tree named Allon-bacuth, meaning "oak of weeping"?  
A. Rachel    B. Reuben    C. Bilhah    D. Deborah ◀
2. The LORD changed Jacob's name to what?  
A. Reuben    B. Esau    C. Israel ◀    D. Isaac
3. What does El Shaddai mean?  
A. God Almighty ◀    B. God will provide    C. The God Who sees me    D. Everlasting God
4. What did Jacob (Israel) pour on the pillar of stone where God appeared to him?  
A. Water and wine    B. A drink offering    C. Oil and water    D. A drink offering and oil ◀
5. What did Rachel name her son as she was dying?  
A. Benjamin, meaning "son of my right hand"    B. Ben-oni, meaning "son of my sorrow" ◀  
C. Benjamin, meaning "behold, a son"    D. Ben-oni, meaning "God will give"
6. What did Jacob (Israel) set up over Rachel's tomb?  
A. A stone    B. A well    C. A pillar ◀    D. A tree

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7. How was Bilhah related to Jacob (Israel)?

- A. She was his concubine. ◀ B. She was his mother.  
C. She was his sister. D. She was his daughter-in-law.

8. Who buried Isaac?

- A. Jacob B. Esau C. Jacob's sons D. Jacob and Esau ◀

9. What was the name of the new country Esau settled in?

- A. Seir ◀ B. Sheer C. Sir D. Seer

10. Esau became the father of what people?

- A. The Israelites B. The Edomites ◀ C. The Egyptians D. The Hittites

## PRAY

Dear God, to this day, we experience the pains and sorrows of a world impacted by death, just as Rachel did with the birth of Benjamin. As we suffer, give us patience and endurance. As we struggle or grieve heavy losses, give us peace and hope. And, as we look toward the end of our earthly lives, give us assurance of eternal life with You. Thank You for Your continued mercies and the strength You provide.

In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# JOSEPH'S DREAMS

Genesis | Episode 29

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Jacob loved Joseph, and he made him a robe of many colors. Joseph had two dreams and told his brothers. In response his brothers stripped him of his robe and cast him into an empty pit. The Ishmaelites took Joseph to Egypt where he was sold as a slave to Potiphar.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. He had 11 brothers and a sister, Dinah. His father favored him because he was born to Jacob late in life.

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob, also called Israel, was the father of 12 sons. He gave a coat of many colors to Joseph, and favored him more than his other sons.

**JOSEPH'S BROTHERS:** Joseph had 11 brothers. His brothers (except Benjamin) threw him into a pit, and then they (except Reuben and Benjamin) decided to sell him to the Ishmaelites.

**REUBEN:** Reuben was the firstborn son of Jacob (Israel), by Leah. Reuben persuaded his brothers not to shed Joseph's blood, so that he could later rescue Joseph from the pit and return him to his father.

**JUDAH:** Judah was Jacob's (Israel's) fourth son by Leah. His brothers were Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Issachar, and Zebulun, and his sister was Dinah. Judah proposed a plan to his brothers to sell Joseph to the Ishmaelites instead of killing him.

**POTIPHAR:** Potiphar was an officer of Pharaoh and captain of the guard. He bought Joseph from the Ishmaelites.

**PHARAOH:** Pharaoh was the royal title given for the king over all Egypt.



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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it was where Jacob and his family lived.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Joseph was sold into slavery in Egypt by the Ishmaelites.

**HEBRON:** Hebron was a city in Canaan, in the hills of Judea, and was where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived.

**SHECHEM:** Shechem was in the hill country of Ephraim, north of Bethel. Joseph's brothers traveled to feed their father's flock near Shechem.

**DOTHAN:** A man told Joseph that he had overheard his brothers saying they were going to Dothan. Joseph went to Dothan to check on his brothers, and it was there that his brothers cast him into a pit.

**GILEAD:** Gilead was east of the Jordan River. The brothers saw a caravan of Ishmaelite merchants on their way to Egypt, and they sold Joseph to the merchants.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Safety** | God protected Joseph when his brothers wanted to kill him.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Dreams** | God blessed Joseph with dreams that showed him God's plans for his future.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 29, "Joseph's Dreams."**

1. Joseph fed the flock with his brothers, and he brought a bad report about them to his father.
2. Jacob (Israel) loved Joseph more than his other children and made a long-sleeved robe of many colors for him.
3. Joseph's brothers saw that their father loved him the most, and they began to hate Joseph.
4. Joseph told his brothers about his dream in which his brothers' bundles of wheat bowed down around his, and they hated him more because of his dream.

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5. Joseph had another dream in which the sun, the moon, and 11 stars bowed down before him, and he told it to his brothers. He also told his father about the dream, and his father scolded him.
6. Joseph's brothers traveled to feed their father's flock near Shechem. Jacob (Israel) sent Joseph to check on his brothers and the sheep.
7. Joseph arrived in Shechem, and a man found him wandering around the countryside. He told Joseph that his brothers had gone to Dothan.
8. Joseph's brothers spotted him in the distance, and they conspired to kill him. Reuben told his brothers not to kill him, but to throw him into a pit. He wanted to rescue Joseph later and return him to his father.
9. Joseph reached his brothers, and they stripped him of his robe and cast him into an empty pit. The brothers saw a caravan of merchants on their way to Egypt, and they sold Joseph to them.
10. Reuben returned to the pit and saw that it was empty. He tore his clothes in agony.
11. Joseph's brothers took his robe of many colors and dipped it in goat's blood. They brought it to Jacob (Israel), and he mourned for his son Joseph for many days.
12. The merchants sold Joseph to Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh and a captain of the guard in Egypt.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Joseph's Dreams

1. Why did Joseph's brothers hate Joseph so they could not even speak to him in a peaceful manner?  
*Answer:* Joseph's brothers hated him because they saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers.
2. How did the brothers respond to Joseph telling them about his two dreams?  
*Answer:* The brothers hated him even more.
3. Joseph had two dreams in which something bowed down. What bowed down in the first dream, and what bowed to him in the second dream?  
*Answer:* In the first dream, his brothers' stalks of grain bowed down to his stalk of grain, and in the second, the sun, moon, and stars bowed down to him.

# JOSEPH'S DREAMS

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## LESSON THREE **3**

### The Brothers' Anger

1. Where did Jacob (Israel) send Joseph?

*Answer:* Jacob (Israel) sent Joseph to check on his brothers as they were tending the sheep near Shechem.

2. What did his brothers want to do to Joseph when they saw him in the distance?

*Answer:* Joseph's brothers wanted to kill him.

3. How did Reuben intend to rescue Joseph?

*Answer:* Reuben told his brothers to cast him alive into a pit so that he could come back, lift him out, and return him to his father.

4. Why was Reuben unable to go through with his plan to save Joseph?

*Answer:* Judah suggested that they sell Joseph to the Ishmaelite traders. When Reuben came back to rescue Joseph, he was gone.

## DISCUSS

1. Joseph gave his father a bad report about his brothers. Do you think this was a wise thing for Joseph to do?

2. Why do you think Joseph told his brothers about his dreams? Do you think it was a good idea?

3. How do you think Joseph felt to be cast into the pit and sold to the Ishmaelites?

4. Reuben was one of the sons that killed the men of Shechem and was the son that slept with Jacob's (Israel's) concubine, Bilhah. Why do you think Reuben was the only son that wanted to save Joseph and return him to his father?

5. How do you think Jacob (Israel) felt to be told that Joseph, the son he loved the most, had been killed by a wild beast?

6. Do you think it was part of God's plan for Joseph to be taken to Egypt and sold as a slave?

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## MEMORY VERSES

Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers listened to him.

Then Midianite traders passed by. And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt.

Genesis 37:26-28

## QUIZ

1. Who did Jacob (Israel) love more than all his other children?  
A. Reuben    B. Simeon    C. Joseph ◀    D. Dinah
2. What did the long-sleeve robe that Jacob (Israel) gave to Joseph look like?  
A. It was striped.    B. It was too big.    C. It touched the ground.    D. It had many colors. ◀
3. How old was Joseph when he fed the flocks with his brothers?  
A. 9    B. 21    C. 11    D. 17 ◀
4. What was Jacob's (Israel's) reaction to Joseph's dream of the sun, moon, and stars bowing down to him?  
A. He asked Joseph questions.    B. He rebuked Joseph.  
C. He kept the matter in mind.    D. All of the above. ◀
5. What bowed down to Joseph's bundle of wheat in his first dream?  
A. The brothers' bundles of wheat ◀    B. The sun, moon, and stars  
C. The brothers    D. His father and mother
6. What bowed down to Joseph in his second dream?  
A. The brothers' bundles of wheat    B. The sun, moon, and stars ◀  
C. The brothers    D. His father and mother



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7. Why did Jacob (Israel) send Joseph to Shechem?

- A. To find a missing sheep
- B. To tend his flocks
- C. To bring his brothers food
- D. To check on his brothers ◀

8. Which brother intended to rescue Joseph and restore him to his father?

- A. Judah
- B. Simeon
- C. Reuben ◀
- D. Levi

9. Judah suggested that the brothers do what to Joseph?

- A. Sell him to the Ishmaelites ◀
- B. Return him to his father
- C. Kill him
- D. Beat him

10. Potiphar, the man who purchased Joseph in Egypt, held what positions?

- A. He was an advisor of Pharaoh and a military commander.
- B. He was Pharaoh's officer and a captain of the guard. ◀
- C. He was a cupbearer and a baker.
- D. He was a prison warden and a captain.

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, You bring about good things from terrible circumstances. We can see this in how You protected Joseph even while his brothers planned to do him harm. Help us to remember this when we experience evil and are sinned against. Help us to forgive others as You have forgiven us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# JUDAH & TAMAR

Genesis | Episode 30

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Judah's firstborn son, Er, married Tamar. Er was wicked, and the LORD killed him. Judah's second son, Onan, also did evil, and the LORD killed him. Tamar was not given to Judah's third son as his wife, so she dressed as a prostitute and slept with Judah, and became pregnant.

## PEOPLE

**JUDAH:** Judah was the fourth-born son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah. He married a Canaanite woman, the daughter of Shua, and had three sons: Er, Onan, and Shelah. He had children with his daughter-in-law, Tamar, after he refused to have Tamar marry Shelah.

**HIRAH:** Judah settled near an Adullamite man named Hirah. Judah was friends with Hirah and he went to shear his sheep with him.

**SHUA:** Shua was a Canaanite man whose daughter married Judah.

**SHUA'S DAUGHTER:** Judah married the daughter of a Canaanite man named Shua. Together they had three sons: Er, Onan, and Shelah.

**ER:** Er was the firstborn son of Judah, and the brother of Onan. Er married Tamar but they had no children. Er was wicked, and the LORD killed him.

**ONAN:** Onan was the second-born son of Judah, and the brother of Er. Onan married Tamar after the LORD killed Er. Onan spilled his seed on the ground so that he would not give his brother any offspring, and the LORD killed him.

**TAMAR:** Tamar was married to Er and then to Onan, but God killed them both. Tamar dressed as a prostitute and slept with Judah. She became pregnant and gave birth to twins, Perez and Zerah.

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**SHELAH:** Shelah was the third son of Judah. Judah said that Tamar would marry Shelah when he was grown, but when the time came, Judah did not have Tamar marry Shelah.

**MIDWIFE:** The midwife was helping Tamar during the birth of Perez and Zerah. The midwife tied a scarlet thread to Zerah's hand when it came out, but then Perez came out first.

**PEREZ:** Perez was the firstborn son of Tamar and Judah. Perez came out first, even though his twin brother, Zerah, had put his hand out first. He was named Perez, meaning "he who breaks through."

**ZERAH:** Zerah was the second-born son of Tamar and Judah, and twin of Perez. During their birth, Zerah had put his hand out first and the midwife tied a scarlet thread to his hand. Then his brother came out first.

## PLACES

**TIMNAH:** Timnah was a city in Canaan. Judah went to Timnah to shear his sheep with his friend, Hirah the Adullamite.

**ENAIM:** Enaim is thought to be a village near Timnah, but its exact location is not known. Tamar sat at the entrance to Enaim, dressed as a prostitute.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROTECTION

**Safety** | God protected Tamar when Judah said that she should be burned.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Twins** | God blessed Tamar with twin sons.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Children** | After his first two sons died, the LORD gave Judah two more sons who could carry on his name.

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## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 30, "Judah & Tamar."**

1. Judah left his brothers and settled near an Adullamite man named Hirah.
2. Judah married a Canaanite woman, the daughter of Shua. She bore three sons: Er, Onan, and Shelah.
3. Judah took a wife for Er, his firstborn, named Tamar. Er was wicked in the sight of the LORD, and the LORD killed him.
4. Judah told Onan that it was his duty to marry Tamar and have offspring on behalf of his brother Er. Onan spilled his seed on the ground so that he would not give his brother offspring. This was evil in the sight of the LORD, and the LORD killed him.
5. Judah told Tamar to remain a widow and stay in her father's house until his son Shelah grew up, so Tamar lived in her father's house.
6. Judah was comforted after his wife died. He went with his friend Hirah to get his sheep shorn, and Tamar was told about this.
7. Tamar removed her widow's clothes, covered her face with a veil, and sat at the gate, because Judah's son Shelah was grown and Judah had not arranged for her to marry Shelah.
8. Judah saw Tamar and, thinking she was a prostitute, asked to sleep with her.
9. Tamar agreed to sleep with Judah, and they agreed that Judah would give her a young goat. As a pledge, he gave her his seal, cord, and staff.
10. Tamar became pregnant by Judah. She left that place, removed her veil, and put her widow's clothes back on.
11. Judah sent his friend, Hirah, with the young goat for the woman Judah had slept with, so he could collect Judah's seal, cord, and staff. However Hirah could not find the woman.
12. Three months later, Judah was informed that Tamar was pregnant, and he responded that she should be burned.
13. As Tamar was brought out, she told Judah that she was pregnant by the man to whom the seal, cord, and staff belonged. Judah acknowledged that the items were his, and said that she was more righteous than he was.
14. Tamar gave birth to twins and named them Perez and Zerah.

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## LESSON TWO 2

### Two Wicked Husbands

1. Why did the LORD kill Er?

*Answer:* The LORD killed Er because he was wicked in the sight of the LORD.

2. Why didn't Onan want Tamar to become pregnant?

*Answer:* Onan knew that the child would not be considered his.

3. Why was Judah afraid to give Tamar to his third son, Shelah?

*Answer:* Judah said that he did not want him to die like his brothers.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Tamar's Plan

1. Where did Judah tell Tamar to remain until Shelah was old enough to marry her?

*Answer:* Judah told Tamar to remain in her father's house until Shelah was grown.

2. Why did Tamar choose to deceive Judah, so that she became pregnant by him?

*Answer:* Tamar saw that Shelah had grown up and she had not been given to him as his wife.

3. What were the three items that Tamar asked for in pledge for the goat that Judah said he would send Tamar?

*Answer:* Tamar asked for Judah's seal, cord, and the staff that he carried in his hand as pledge.

4. What did Judah say when he realized Tamar had become pregnant by him?

*Answer:* Judah said that Tamar was more righteous than he was, because he had not had her marry Shelah as he promised.

## DISCUSS

1. Onan did not want to get Tamar pregnant because he knew the child would not be considered his. Why do you think the LORD found Onan's actions so evil that He killed him?

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2. What do you think it was like for Tamar to have two of her husbands struck dead by the LORD?
3. For Tamar's plan to work, Judah would have to want to sleep with her and she would need to become pregnant. Why do you think Tamar believed her plan would work?
4. Do you think it was God's will for Tamar to do what she did so that Judah's line would continue?
5. Judah said that Tamar was more righteous than he was. Do you agree? Why or why not?
6. After Tamar had her two sons, Judah never slept with Tamar again. What does this say about his integrity?



## MEMORY VERSES

As she was being brought out, she sent word to her father-in-law, "By the man to whom these belong, I am pregnant." And she said, "Please identify whose these are, the signet and the cord and the staff."

Then Judah identified them and said, "She is more righteous than I, since I did not give her to my son Shelah." And he did not know her again.

Genesis 38:25-26

## QUIZ

1. Which of these is NOT the name of one of the sons of Judah?  
A. Shelah    B. Er    C. Hirah     D. Onan
2. How did Tamar's first and second husbands die?  
A. The LORD killed them.     B. They died in an accident.  
C. They died in battle.    D. They died of a disease.

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3. Who was the daughter of Shua?

- A. Hirah      B. Judah's wife ◀      C. Judah's mother      D. Tamar

4. Why did Judah go to Timnah?

- A. To buy and sell      B. To visit a family member  
C. To have his sheep shorn ◀      D. To thresh his grain

5. What did Judah think Tamar was when he saw her sitting in the gate?

- A. A servant      B. A prostitute ◀      C. A foreigner      D. His daughter-in-law

6. What did Judah say he would give to Tamar in exchange for sleeping with her?

- A. His signet ring      B. A young goat from his flock ◀  
C. A woven robe      D. His staff

7. What did Tamar ask for in pledge for the goat that Judah said he would send her?

- A. Judah's seal      B. Judah's cord      C. Judah's staff      D. All of the above ◀

8. What did Judah say should be done with Tamar when he heard she was pregnant?

- A. She should be burned. ◀      B. She should be stoned.  
C. She should be sent away.      D. She should be given Shelah as a husband.

9. What did the midwife tie around the baby's hand because she thought he was coming out first?


- A. A piece of felt      B. A blue thread      C. A piece of linen      D. A scarlet thread ◀

10. Which of Tamar's twins came out first?

- A. Perez ◀      B. Zerah      C. Onan      D. Hirah

## PRAY

Dear God, as we learn Your Divine Narrative, give us encouragement, peace, and insight into Your love for Your people. Though You judge sin, You still provide for Your people. Through difficult circumstances, You remain faithful. You choose to work through Your people, despite their bad decisions. Help us to follow Your path for us and do what is good. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# JOSEPH THE FAITHFUL SERVANT

Genesis | Episode 31

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

The LORD was with Joseph as he worked for Potiphar. Potiphar's wife grabbed Joseph and told him to sleep with her, but Joseph ran from the house, leaving his robe in her hand. She told Potiphar that Joseph came in to make a fool of her, and Potiphar put Joseph in prison.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel, and he had 11 brothers and one sister. He was sold into slavery in Egypt and worked for a man named Potiphar.

**POTIPHAR:** Potiphar was an officer of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. Potiphar put Joseph in charge of his household.

**THE ISHMAELITES:** The Ishmaelites were descended from Ishmael, who was the son of Abraham and Hagar. Joseph's brothers sold Joseph to the Ishmaelites, and the Ishmaelites sold him to Potiphar.

**POTIPHAR'S WIFE:** The wife of Potiphar. Potiphar's wife tried to get Joseph to sleep with her. When Joseph refused and fled, she kept his robe and lied about Joseph to others, including her husband.

**THE WARDEN:** The prison warden was in charge of the king's prisoners. When Joseph was put in prison, the warden made him supervisor over all the prisoners.

## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh.



A black and white illustration depicting a scene from the Bible. In the foreground, a man (Joseph) is shown from the chest up, looking back over his shoulder with a concerned expression. He is wearing a simple tunic. In the background, a woman (Potiphar's wife) is walking away, looking back at him with a determined or angry expression. She is wearing a headscarf and a long dress. The setting appears to be an ancient Egyptian interior with patterned walls and a doorway in the background.

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROTECTION

**Safety** | The LORD protected Joseph from harm when he was thrown into prison for a crime he did not commit.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Favor** | The LORD gave Joseph favor in the prison so that the warden put him in charge of all the prisoners.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Prosperity** | The LORD blessed Potiphar's household for Joseph's sake.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 31, "Joseph the Faithful Servant."**

1. Joseph was taken to Egypt, and the Ishmaelites sold him to Potiphar.
2. The LORD was with Joseph, and he did well in Potiphar's house. Potiphar made Joseph manager over his household and entrusted all his possessions to him.
3. The LORD blessed Potiphar's household because of Joseph.
4. Potiphar's wife wanted to sleep with Joseph, but Joseph repeatedly refused.
5. Potiphar's wife grabbed Joseph by his robe and commanded him to sleep with her. Joseph ran from the house, leaving his robe behind.
6. Potiphar's wife told the men of the house that Joseph had wanted to sleep with her. When her husband came home, she said the same thing to him.
7. When Potiphar heard what his wife said, he was furious and put Joseph in prison.
8. The LORD was with Joseph and gave him favor with the prison warden.
9. The warden put Joseph in charge over all the prisoners.



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## LESSON TWO **2**

### Joseph's Rise

1. Why did Potiphar make Joseph the manager of his household?

*Answer:* Potiphar saw that the LORD was with Joseph and prospered everything he did.

2. What did God do for Potiphar's household after Joseph was put in charge?

*Answer:* The LORD blessed Potiphar's household and the LORD's blessing was on all he owned.

3. What reasons did Joseph give for not wanting to sleep with Potiphar's wife?

*Answer:* 1. Potiphar trusted Joseph so much that he did not pay attention to what was going on in his house.

2. Potiphar put Joseph in charge of all his possessions.

3. Potiphar considered Joseph his equal, and the only thing he did not share with him was his wife.

4. Joseph could not do such a wicked thing and sin against God.

*(Students may give any of these as answers)*

## LESSON THREE **3**

### Joseph Imprisoned

1. What did Potiphar's wife tell her husband and their household after Joseph fled?

*Answer:* Potiphar's wife told her husband and their household that Joseph had tried to sleep with her.

2. What did Potiphar do to Joseph when he heard his wife's story?

*Answer:* Potiphar put Joseph in prison with the king's other prisoners.

3. How was the LORD with Joseph when he was in prison?

*Answer:* The LORD showed Joseph kindness, gave him favor with the prison warden, and prospered everything Joseph did.



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## DISCUSS

1. The Bible tells us that the LORD was with Joseph. Do you think Joseph knew that the LORD was with him?
2. The Bible tells us that the LORD prospered everything Joseph did. What do you think that looked like in his everyday life?
3. Why do you think Joseph ran out of Potiphar's house when Potiphar's wife asked him to sleep with her again?
4. How do you think Potiphar felt when his wife told him that his trusted household manager tried to sleep with his wife? Do you think he should have questioned Joseph before putting him in prison?
5. How do you think Joseph felt when he was falsely accused by Potiphar's wife? Do you think he wondered why God would allow him to be thrown in prison after being a faithful servant?
6. Why do you think the warden gave Joseph responsibility? What do you think he saw in Joseph that he did not see in the other prisoners?

## MEMORY VERSES

Now Joseph was handsome in form and appearance. And after a time his master's wife cast her eyes on Joseph and said, "Lie with me." But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Behold, because of me my master has no concern about anything in the house, and he has put everything that he has in my charge.

"He is not greater in this house than I am, nor has he kept back anything from me except you, because you are his wife. How then can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?"

Genesis 39:6b-9

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## QUIZ



1. Where was Joseph taken after his brothers sold him to the Ishmaelites?  
A. To Canaan      B. To Mamre      C. To Gerar      D. To Egypt ◀
2. Who bought Joseph from the Ishmaelites?  
A. Pharaoh      B. The prison warden      C. Potiphar ◀      D. Potiphar's wife
3. What happened to Potiphar's household after Joseph was put in charge?  
A. It grew.      B. It was blessed. ◀      C. It became smaller.      D. Nothing happened.
4. How does the Bible describe Joseph's appearance?  
A. Ugly      B. Strong      C. Weak      D. Handsome ◀
5. What did Potiphar's wife grab when she was trying to sleep with Joseph?  
A. His sandal      B. His turban      C. His robe ◀      D. His belt
6. What did Potiphar do when he heard his wife's story about Joseph?  
A. He ignored her.      B. He cast her out.  
C. He shrugged his shoulders.      D. He put Joseph in prison. ◀
7. Which prison did Potiphar put Joseph in?  
A. The prison for everyday people.      B. The prison for the king's prisoners. ◀  
C. The prison for men.      D. The prison for foreigners.
8. Who did the LORD give Joseph favor with?  
A. The prison warden ◀      B. Other prisoners  
C. Pharaoh      D. Potiphar's wife
9. What position did the prison warden give Joseph?  
A. He made Joseph the warden.      B. He made Joseph the executioner.  
C. He made Joseph the guard.      D. He made Joseph the supervisor. ◀
10. Why did the warden pay no attention to anything Joseph did?  
A. Because the LORD was with Joseph, and whatever he did, the LORD prospered. ◀  
B. Because Joseph did his job well.  
C. Because the warden gave Joseph good instructions and Joseph listened to them.  
D. Because he was knowledgeable and reliable.



# JOSEPH THE FAITHFUL SERVANT

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## PRAY

Dear God, You protected Joseph from harm, even though he was unjustly put in prison. If anyone makes evil or false accusations against us, help us to be free from blame. Thank You for revealing Your steadfast love toward Your people and the protection You provide for them. Keep us strong as we face evil in this world. Give us hope and enduring faith. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# INTERPRETER OF DREAMS

Genesis | Episode 32

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Pharaoh put his cupbearer and chief baker in prison, and Joseph was their attendant. They both had dreams, and they told them to Joseph, and Joseph gave them the interpretations. Joseph asked the cupbearer to remember him when he was released.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. Joseph was put in prison for a crime that he did not commit. While he was in prison, he interpreted the dreams of Pharaoh's cupbearer and chief baker.

**PHARAOH:** Pharaoh was the king over all Egypt. Pharaoh was angry with two of his officials, his cupbearer and chief baker, and put them in prison.

**THE KING'S CHIEF CUPBEARER:** The king's chief cupbearer offended Pharaoh and was put in the same prison as Joseph. He had a dream, and Joseph interpreted it.

**THE KING'S CHIEF BAKER:** The king's chief baker offended Pharaoh and was put in the same prison as Joseph and the king's cupbearer. He had a dream, and Joseph interpreted it.

**THE CAPTAIN OF THE GUARD:** The captain of the guard was in charge of Pharaoh's prisoners. He put Joseph in charge of the king's cupbearer and the king's chief baker while they remained in prison.

## PLACES

**THE LAND OF THE HEBREWS (CANAAN):** The land of the Hebrews (also known as Canaan) was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh.



# INTERPRETER OF DREAMS

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

## GOD'S PROVISION

**Interpretation** | God revealed to Joseph the meanings of the dreams that the cupbearer and the baker had.

# LEADER'S GUIDE

## LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 32, "Interpreter of Dreams."**

1. The king's cupbearer and the king's baker offended Pharaoh, and he put them in the same prison where Joseph was.
2. The captain of the guard appointed Joseph to be in charge of the cupbearer and baker while they were in prison.
3. The king's cupbearer and the king's baker both had dreams, and they were troubled because no one could interpret them.
4. Joseph said that interpretations belong to God, and asked to hear their dreams.
5. The cupbearer told Joseph that he dreamed about a vine with three branches and grape clusters. He took the grapes and crushed them into Pharaoh's cup, and gave the cup to Pharaoh.
6. Joseph interpreted the cupbearer's dream, and said that Pharaoh would take him out of prison and restore him to his place.
7. Joseph told the cupbearer to mention him to Pharaoh so that Joseph could be released from prison.
8. The chief baker told Joseph that he dreamed that there were three baskets of bread on his head, and birds came down and ate the bread.
9. Joseph said that the baker's dream meant that Pharaoh would hang him on a tree, and that birds would eat his flesh.
10. Three days later on Pharaoh's birthday, Pharaoh restored the cupbearer to his position and hanged the chief baker.
11. The cupbearer did not remember Joseph.

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## LESSON TWO 2

### The Cupbearer's Dream

1. Why were Pharaoh's cupbearer and chief baker troubled?

*Answer:* Pharaoh's cupbearer and chief baker both had dreams, but there was no one to interpret them.

2. Who did Joseph say was responsible for making the meaning of a dream clear?

*Answer:* Joseph said that dream interpretation belongs to God.

3. In the cupbearer's dream, what did the cupbearer do with the grapes?

*Answer:* The cupbearer crushed the grapes into Pharaoh's cup.

4. What did Joseph ask the cupbearer to do when he was restored to his position, and why?

*Answer:* Joseph asked the cupbearer to mention him to Pharaoh so that he would release Joseph from this prison.

## LESSON THREE 3

### The Baker's Dream

1. In the baker's dream, what was on his head?

*Answer:* On the baker's head were three baskets of bread.

2. How was the interpretation of the chief baker's dream different from the chief cupbearer's?

*Answer:* The chief baker's dream meant that in three days he would be executed, but the chief cupbearer's dream meant that in three days he would be restored to his original position.

3. What happened to the cupbearer and baker three days after Joseph interpreted their dreams?

*Answer:* Three days later, Pharaoh restored the chief cupbearer to his original position and executed the chief baker.

4. Did the chief cupbearer remember to mention Joseph to Pharaoh once he was restored to his position?

*Answer:* No, the chief cupbearer forgot about Joseph.



# INTERPRETER OF DREAMS

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## DISCUSS

1. What do you think the king's chief cupbearer and chief baker did to offend Pharaoh?
2. How do you think the baker felt after hearing the interpretation of his dream?
3. What do you think Joseph was like as a prison attendant?
4. On Pharaoh's birthday, he made a feast for all his officials and hanged the chief baker. What does this tell us about Pharaoh?
5. Why do you think the chief cupbearer forgot about Joseph?
6. How do you think Joseph felt when he realized the cupbearer had forgotten about him?

## MEMORY VERSES

When Joseph came to them in the morning, he saw that they were troubled. So he asked Pharaoh's officers who were with him in custody in his master's house, "Why are your faces downcast today?"

They said to him, "We have had dreams, and there is no one to interpret them." And Joseph said to them, "Do not interpretations belong to God? Please tell them to me."

Genesis 40:6-8

## QUIZ

1. Who was put in charge of the king's chief cupbearer and chief baker while they were in prison?  
A. Potiphar      B. Pharaoh      C. The captain of the guard      D. Joseph 

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2. How many branches were on the vine in the cupbearer's dream?  
A. One      B. Two      C. Three ◀      D. Four
3. Who did Joseph say the interpretations of dreams belongs to?  
A. Himself      B. Pharaoh      C. God ◀      D. The captain of the guard
4. In the chief baker's dream, what were the birds eating?  
A. Grapes from the vine      B. Vegetables from the garden  
C. Bread from the baskets on his head ◀      D. Meat from the table
5. Why were the chief baker and chief cupbearer troubled?  
A. They had no one to interpret their dreams. ◀      B. They were sad that they were in prison.  
C. They were afraid they would be executed.      D. They missed their homes.
6. What celebration took place three days after Joseph interpreted the baker and cupbearer's dreams?  
A. An Egyptian holy day      B. The captain of the guard's birthday  
C. Pharaoh's birthday ◀      D. A Hebrew holy day
7. Who was restored to his former position at Pharaoh's birthday celebration?  
A. The chief baker      B. The chief cupbearer ◀  
C. Joseph      D. The captain of the guard
8. Who was hung on a tree at Pharaoh's birthday celebration?  
A. Joseph      B. Potiphar      C. The chief cupbearer      D. The chief baker ◀
9. What land did Joseph say he had been kidnapped from?  
A. The land of the Hebrews ◀      B. The land of the Egyptians  
C. The land of his fathers      D. The land of his God
10. What did Joseph ask the cupbearer to do after his release?  
A. Tell Pharaoh about the chief baker      B. Tell Pharaoh about Joseph ◀  
C. Keep quiet about everything      D. Send a message to Joseph

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, You gave special insight to Joseph as he interpreted dreams. And as You revealed the truth to him, You also brought that truth to pass. We pray that we will be able to tell truth from fiction and good from evil. Help us to walk in Your paths and shine Your light before others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# PHARAOH'S DREAMS

Genesis | Episode 33

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Pharaoh had two dreams, and called all the Egyptian magicians, but no one could interpret them. The cupbearer told Pharaoh about Joseph, and Pharaoh summoned him. Joseph told Pharaoh the interpretation, which was that there would be a great famine in all the land.

## PEOPLE

**PHARAOH:** Pharaoh was the ruler over Egypt. He had two troubling dreams, and Joseph interpreted them.

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. He interpreted Pharaoh's dreams, and Pharaoh made him ruler over all Egypt.

**PHARAOH'S MAGICIANS AND WISE MEN:** Pharaoh had magicians and wise men who counseled him. When Pharaoh had two troubling dreams, he asked his magicians to interpret them, but they could not.

**CHIEF CUPBEARER:** A cupbearer was responsible for bringing Pharaoh's cup to him and ensuring the drink in it was safe. After Pharaoh had two troubling dreams that his magicians could not interpret, the cupbearer remembered that Joseph had interpreted his dream when he was in prison.

**ZAPHENATH-PANEAH:** Pharaoh renamed Joseph Zaphenath-paneah after he was promoted to the ruler of Egypt.

**ASENATH:** Asenath was the daughter of Potiphara, an Egyptian priest. Pharaoh gave Asenath to Joseph as his wife.

**POTIPHERA:** Potiphara was the priest of On in Egypt. Joseph married Potiphara's daughter, Asenath.

# PHARAOH'S DREAMS

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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh.

**NILE RIVER:** The Nile River flowed through the middle of Egypt and was important for Egypt's agriculture and transportation. Pharaoh dreamed that he stood by the Nile River. Out of the river came seven attractive and fat cows, and then seven ugly, thin cows that ate the attractive, fat cows.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Warning** | God gave Pharaoh dreams to warn him about the coming famine.

**Interpretation** | God provided Pharaoh with the meaning of his dreams by having Joseph interpret them.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Provisions** | God blessed Egypt and the surrounding nations by sending Joseph to Egypt to prepare for the coming famine.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 33, "Pharaoh's Dreams."**

1. Pharaoh dreamed that seven attractive, fat cows came out of the Nile River. After them, seven ugly, thin cows came out of the river and ate the attractive, fat cows.
2. Pharaoh had a second dream: Seven full, ripe ears of corn grew out of a single stalk. After them, seven thin, frail ears came up and ate the full, ripe ears.
3. Pharaoh was troubled about his dreams, and he called the magicians and wise men of Egypt to interpret them, but none of them could.

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4. The chief cupbearer remembered Joseph, and told Pharaoh about how Joseph had interpreted his dream while they were in prison together.
5. Pharaoh summoned Joseph and they quickly brought him out of the dungeon.
6. Joseph shaved and changed his clothes and went before Pharaoh. Joseph said that God would give him an interpretation of Pharaoh's dream.
7. Pharaoh told both of his dreams to Joseph.
8. Joseph explained the dreams' meaning to Pharaoh. There would be seven years of abundance, followed by seven years of famine.
9. Joseph told Pharaoh that he should appoint a supervisor over the land, take a twenty percent tax of the produce, and set it aside for the years of famine.
10. Pharaoh said that the Spirit of God lived in Joseph, and he appointed Joseph to be over his household and the whole land of Egypt.
11. Pharaoh put his ring on Joseph's hand, and clothed Joseph in fine linen and jewelry. Joseph was put in charge of the land of Egypt.
12. Pharaoh called Joseph Zaphenath-paneah, and gave him Potiphera's daughter, Asenath, to be his wife.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Joseph Leaves Prison

1. How long was Joseph in prison before Pharaoh called on him to interpret his dreams?  
*Answer:* Joseph was in prison for two years.

2. What made the chief cupbearer remember Joseph?  
*Answer:* Pharaoh had a dream that his wise men and magicians could not interpret.

3. What did Joseph do before he went before Pharaoh?  
*Answer:* Joseph shaved and changed his clothes.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Pharaoh's Dreams

1. What did Joseph say the seven cows and seven stalks of grain represented?  
*Answer:* Joseph said the seven cows and seven stalks of grain represented seven years of plenty and seven years of famine.

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**2. Why did Joseph say that God had given Pharaoh two dreams with the same meaning?**

*Answer:* Joseph said Pharaoh had had two dreams with the same meaning because the events were established by God, and God would make it happen soon.

**3. What reason did Pharaoh give for putting Joseph in charge?**

*Answer:* Pharaoh said that the Spirit of God lived in Joseph.

## DISCUSS

**1. How do you think the chief cupbearer felt when he realized he had forgotten Joseph in prison?**

**2. Pharaoh believed Joseph, who was a Hebrew slave and a prisoner. Does this tell us anything about Pharaoh?**

**3. Why do you think Pharaoh believed Joseph's interpretation of the dream?**

**4. Pharaoh had to rely on Joseph to interpret his dream. Have you ever had to rely on someone else for something very important? What did that feel like? Give an example.**

**5. How do you think Pharaoh's magicians felt to see Joseph interpret Pharaoh's dream when they were unable to interpret the dream?**

**6. What do you think it was like for Joseph to go from being a prisoner to being ruler over all Egypt?**

## MEMORY VERSES

And Pharaoh said to his servants, "Can we find a man like this, in whom is the Spirit of God?"

Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Since God has shown you all this, there is none so discerning and wise as you are. You shall be over my house, and all my people shall order themselves as you command. Only as regards the throne will I be greater than you."











And Pharaoh said to Joseph, "See, I have set you over all the land of Egypt."

Genesis 41:38-41

# PHARAOH'S DREAMS

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## QUIZ

1. How long had Joseph been in prison before Pharaoh had his two troubling dreams?  
A. One year    B. Ten years    C. Two years     D. Five years
2. In Pharaoh's dream, what ate the seven attractive and fat cows?  
A. Seven attractive and fat cows    B. Seven thin and frail stalks of grain  
C. Seven full and ripe ears of grain    D. Seven ugly and thin cows 
3. How many dreams did Pharaoh have in this episode?  
A. One    B. Two     C. Three    D. Four
4. Who was unable to interpret Pharaoh's dreams?  
A. The magicians    B. Joseph    C. The wise men    D. The magicians and the wise men 
5. What percentage of the Egyptians' produce did Joseph recommend storing for the famine?  
A. 20%     B. 15%    C. 10%    D. 25%
6. Pharaoh said that the Spirit of God dwelled in whom?  
A. In God    B. In the magicians    C. In the captain of the guard    D. In Joseph 
7. What did Joseph tell Pharaoh to collect during the seven fruitful years?  
A. Grain     B. Money    C. Weapons    D. Water
8. Who told Pharaoh that Joseph could help him interpret his dreams?  
A. The chief baker    B. The chief cupbearer     C. Asenath    D. Potiphera
9. What was the name of the wife Pharaoh gave to Joseph?  
A. Zaphenath-paneah    B. Asenath     C. Potiphera    D. On
10. What did Pharaoh call Joseph?  
A. Asenath    B. Potiphera    C. On    D. Zaphenath-paneah 

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, as we read about Pharaoh's dreams and their interpretation, we begin to see Your purpose in bringing Joseph to Egypt. Not only did You protect Joseph from harm, but You guided him to protect others as well, including his own family. It is amazing to see how You "work all things for the good of those who love You." Help us to see Your work in our lives as well. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE FAMINE

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Joseph traveled throughout the land of Egypt and collected food before the famine began. All of Joseph's brothers went down to buy grain from Egypt, except for Benjamin. When they bowed down before Joseph, he recognized them, but they did not recognize him. Joseph put them in prison for three days.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. He had become the ruler over all Egypt, and he helped Egypt distribute the grain they had saved up for the famine. He saw his brothers come to buy grain, but did not reveal who he was to them. He had two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.

**ASENATH:** Asenath was the daughter of Potiphera. Pharaoh gave Asenath to Joseph to be his wife, and she and Joseph had two sons.

**MANASSEH:** Manasseh was the firstborn son of Joseph and Asenath. Joseph named him Manasseh because God made him forget all the troubles he suffered in his family.

**EPHRAIM:** Ephraim was the second son of Joseph and Asenath. Joseph called him Ephraim because God had made him fruitful in the land of his misfortune.

**THE EGYPTIANS:** The Egyptians lived in the land of Egypt. During the famine, the Egyptians cried out to Pharaoh for food. Pharaoh told the Egyptians to go to Joseph to buy food from him.

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob, also called Israel, was the father of 12 sons, including Joseph. He was also the father of Dinah.

**BENJAMIN:** Benjamin was the younger brother of Joseph, and the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. When Jacob sent his sons to Egypt to buy grain, he did not send Benjamin because he was afraid something would happen to him.

**JOSEPH'S BROTHERS:** Joseph had 11 brothers. Joseph's brothers, except Benjamin, went to Egypt to buy grain.



# THE FAMINE

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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Time to Prepare** | God gave the people seven years to store up grain and food to eat during the seven years of famine.

**Wisdom** | God provided Joseph with the understanding and wisdom he needed to collect and store food, so that the people could live through the seven years of famine.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Children** | God blessed Joseph and Asenath with two children: Manasseh and Ephraim.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 34, "The Famine."**

1. Joseph traveled throughout Egypt collecting food. He stored up grain during the seven years of abundance.
2. Joseph had two sons with his wife Asenath: Manasseh and Ephraim. Asenath was from Egypt, given to Joseph by Pharaoh.
3. The seven years of famine began, just as Joseph predicted, but there was food in Egypt.
4. The people of Egypt cried out to Pharaoh for food, and Pharaoh sent them to Joseph. Joseph sold food to the Egyptians, and people from all over came to Egypt to buy grain.



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5. Jacob (Israel) heard that there was grain in Egypt, so he told his sons to go down and buy grain in Egypt.
6. Jacob's (Israel's) sons went down to Egypt, as their father had told them, but Jacob (Israel) did not allow Benjamin to go with them.
7. Joseph was the governor over all Egypt, so when his brothers came to him, they bowed before him.
8. Joseph recognized his brothers and spoke harshly to them. But they did not recognize him. Joseph remembered the dreams he had about his brothers.
9. Joseph questioned his brothers about their family. Joseph told them that to prove they were not lying, they must bring their youngest brother back to him.
10. Joseph put his brothers in prison for three days.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Lessons from the Famine

1. What did Joseph do during the seven years of abundance?  
*Answer:* Joseph collected food from all over Egypt and stored it in the cities.
2. Where did the famine happen?  
*Answer:* The famine happened all over the earth.
3. How did people get food during the famine?  
*Answer:* Joseph sold food to the Egyptians, as well as to people from all over the earth who came to Egypt.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Lessons from Joseph

1. When Joseph saw his brothers in Egypt, what memory came to his mind?  
*Answer:* Joseph remembered the dreams he had about his brothers, years ago.
2. What did Joseph accuse his brothers of being?  
*Answer:* Joseph accused his brothers of being spies.
3. What did Joseph say his brothers must do to prove that they were not lying?  
*Answer:* Joseph told his brothers that they must bring their youngest brother to Egypt.

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## DISCUSS

1. How do you think the people of Egypt felt about Joseph preparing for a famine when there was plenty of food for so many years?
2. How do you think Joseph felt seeing his brothers for the first time in so many years?
3. Why do you think Joseph spoke harshly to his brothers and accused them of being spies?
4. How do you think Joseph's brothers felt when they were told to bring their youngest brother with them to Egypt?
5. Why do you think Joseph put his brothers in prison for three days?
6. How do you think Joseph's brothers felt as they sat in prison for three days? Do you think they knew it would only be three days?

## MEMORY VERSES

Now Joseph was governor over the land. He was the one who sold to all the people of the land. And Joseph's brothers came and bowed themselves before him with their faces to the ground.

Joseph saw his brothers and recognized them, but he treated them like strangers and spoke roughly to them. "Where do you come from?" he said. They said, "From the land of Canaan, to buy food."

And Joseph recognized his brothers, but they did not recognize him.

Genesis 42:6-8

## QUIZ

1. What followed the seven years of abundance?  
A. Seven years of harvest  
B. Seven years of famine   
C. Seven years of more abundance  
D. Seven normal years

# THE FAMINE

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2. What did Joseph collect and store in all the land of Egypt?  
A. Gold and silver      B. Food and water  
C. Livestock and grain      D. Food and grain ◀
3. Where did Jacob (Israel) tell his sons to find food during the famine?  
A. In Egypt ◀      B. In Canaan      C. In Gerar      D. In Mamre
4. Which brother did not go down to Egypt?  
A. Simeon      B. Levi      C. Judah      D. Benjamin ◀
5. How did Joseph choose a wife?  
A. Pharaoh gave her to him. ◀      B. His father found her.  
C. He saw her at a well.      D. She chose him.
6. Who was the governor over all Egypt?  
A. Pharaoh      B. Potiphar      C. Joseph ◀      D. Asenath
7. When Joseph saw his brothers he spoke in what way to them?  
A. Kindly      B. Harshly ◀      C. Lovingly      D. Proudly
8. What did Joseph accuse his brothers of being?  
A. Murderers      B. Thieves      C. Spies ◀      D. Liars
9. To prove their story, Joseph required that what be brought to Egypt by his brothers?  
A. More money      B. Livestock for trading      C. Their father      D. Their youngest brother ◀
10. Where did Joseph put his brothers for three days?  
A. In a pit      B. In prison ◀      C. In his room      D. In his palace

## PRAY

Dear God, since sin entered the world, there have been natural disasters of all kinds, such as the famine that affected Jacob (Israel) and his family. Through it all, You are still the One Who “gives us this day our daily bread.” You provide all that is needed for us to live. Just as You provided food through Joseph to his family, You provide food for us every day. Thank You. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.



# JOSEPH TESTS HIS BROTHERS

Genesis | Episode 35

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Joseph put Simeon in prison and asked his brothers to bring their youngest brother to him to prove they were telling the truth. The brothers told Jacob what had happened. They emptied their packs, and each man's money was in his own pack. Jacob refused to let Benjamin go back to Egypt with them.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. He had become the ruler over all Egypt, and helped Egypt distribute the grain they had saved up for the famine. Joseph tested his brothers when they came to Egypt to get grain.

**JOSEPH'S BROTHERS:** Joseph had 11 brothers. Joseph's brothers (except Benjamin) went to Egypt to buy grain. Joseph tested his brothers, imprisoning Simeon and telling them they must bring Benjamin to him.

**REUBEN:** Reuben was the firstborn son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah. Reuben reminded his brothers how he tried to save Joseph, and told them that their misfortunes were because they sinned against Joseph.

**SIMEON:** Simeon was the second-born son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah. Joseph bound Simeon in front of his brothers, and took him away.

**INTERPRETER:** Joseph spoke to his brothers through an interpreter.

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob, also called Israel, was the father of 12 sons, including Joseph, and one daughter. He did not want to send Benjamin to Egypt because he was afraid something would happen to him.

**BENJAMIN:** Benjamin was the younger brother of Joseph, and a son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. When Jacob sent his sons to Egypt to buy grain, he did not send Benjamin.



# JOSEPH TESTS HIS BROTHERS

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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Egypt was the only place that had food during the famine, so people traveled to Egypt to buy grain.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Possessions** | God provided Joseph's brothers with grain, money, and provisions through Joseph's actions.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Safety** | God protected Joseph's brothers as they journeyed from Egypt back to Canaan, and allowed them to return safely.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 35, "Joseph Tests His Brothers."**

1. Joseph told his brothers to go back to Canaan and bring their youngest brother to him in Egypt. This would confirm their story.
2. Joseph's brothers spoke among themselves, saying that they were guilty because they had not listened to their brother's pleading. Joseph spoke to his brothers through an interpreter, so they did not know that Joseph understood them.
3. Joseph imprisoned Simeon and ordered the brothers' containers to be filled with grain, their money to be put in their sacks, and provisions to be given to them for their journey.
4. Joseph's brothers departed, and when they stopped for the night, one brother saw his money in his pack.
5. Joseph's brothers returned to their father, Jacob (Israel), and told him that the lord of Egypt had called them spies. They explained how he had asked them to prove their story was true.
6. The brothers emptied their packs, and saw each man's money in his own pack, and they became afraid.
7. Jacob (Israel) told his sons that they had robbed him of his children: Joseph was gone, Simeon was gone, and now they were going to take Benjamin away.
8. Reuben told Jacob (Israel) that he could kill Reuben's own two sons if he did not bring Benjamin back with him. Jacob still would not let them take Benjamin down to Egypt.



# JOSEPH TESTS HIS BROTHERS

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## LESSON TWO **2**

### Lessons from Joseph

**1. How long were Joseph's brothers in prison?**

*Answer:* Joseph's brothers were in prison for three days.

**2. What did Joseph tell his brothers they must do in order to buy his grain?**

*Answer:* Joseph told his brothers to leave Simeon in prison, take grain to their families, and come back with Benjamin.

**3. Did Joseph's brothers know that he understood them?**

*Answer:* No, Joseph was speaking through a translator. His brothers heard him speaking only in the Egyptian language, and did not know that he understood Hebrew.

## LESSON THREE **3**

### Lessons from Joseph's Family

**1. What did Reuben tell his brothers he had tried to do when Joseph was being sold into slavery?**

*Answer:* Reuben had tried to stop his brothers from killing Joseph because he wanted to return him to his father.

**2. What did the brothers find in their packs of grain, and who had put it there?**

*Answer:* The brothers found their money in their packs of grain. Joseph had ordered the brothers' money to be placed in their packs of grain.

**3. Did Jacob (Israel) say he would allow Benjamin to go to Egypt like they had been instructed?**

*Answer:* No, Jacob said he would never allow Benjamin to go to Egypt.

## DISCUSS

**1. Why do you think Joseph did not want his brothers to know that he spoke Hebrew?**

**2. Joseph overheard Reuben saying that he had not wanted to harm him. Do you think Joseph knew that Reuben disagreed with his brothers' actions before this?**

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3. How do you think Simeon felt about being imprisoned while his brothers left to go home without him?
4. How do you think Jacob (Israel) felt when he heard what happened to his sons in Egypt?
5. Why do you think Reuben offered to have his own children killed if he did not bring Benjamin home safely?
6. Why was Jacob (Israel) so unwilling to send Benjamin to Egypt when it was the only way they might obtain food?

## MEMORY VERSES

[Joseph said,] "If you are honest men, let one of your brothers remain confined where you are in custody, and let the rest go and carry grain for the famine of your households, and bring your youngest brother to me. So your words will be verified, and you shall not die." And they did so.

Then they said to one another, "In truth we are guilty concerning our brother, in that we saw the distress of his soul, when he begged us and we did not listen. That is why this distress has come upon us."

Genesis 42:19-21

## QUIZ

1. How many days passed while Joseph's brothers remained in prison?  
A. Three  B. Ten  C. Five  D. One
2. Why did Joseph's brothers think they deserved how Joseph treated them?  
A. They had lied about their brother, Benjamin.  
B. They had killed their brother.  
C. They hadn't brought Benjamin with them.  
D. They had heard the cries of their brother and did not listen.
3. Which brother did Joseph keep in prison?  
A. Reuben  B. Simeon  C. Benjamin  D. Judah



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4. Which brother did Joseph want his brothers to bring back to him?  
A. Reuben      B. Simeon      C. Benjamin ◀      D. Judah
5. Which brother had urged the other brothers not to harm Joseph?  
A. Reuben ◀      B. Simeon      C. Benjamin      D. Judah
6. What was surprising about the packs of grain that Joseph's brothers carried?  
A. They were completely empty.      B. They were full of fruit.  
C. They held twice the amount of grain.      D. Their money was inside. ◀
7. When Joseph's brothers left Egypt, where did they go?  
A. To the land of Gerar      B. To the land of Canaan ◀  
C. To the oaks of Mamre      D. To the hills of Gilead
8. What did Reuben tell Jacob (Israel) he could do if Benjamin did not come back?  
A. He said Jacob could kill him.      B. He said Jacob could have his entire inheritance.  
C. He said Jacob could kill his two sons. ◀      D. He said Jacob could kill his two daughters.
9. Who did Jacob (Israel) not want to go to Egypt?  
A. His daughter, Dinah      B. His wife, Leah      C. His son, Benjamin ◀      D. His son, Reuben
10. Jacob (Israel) told his sons that if anything happened to Benjamin while he traveled with the brothers, they would do what?  
A. Bring his gray hairs into great sorrow      B. Bring his gray hairs into a deep trial  
C. Bring his gray hairs into heavy mourning      D. Bring his gray hairs to the grave with grief ◀

## PRAY

Dear Heavenly Father, though there are times in our lives when we may be fearful, just as Joseph's brothers likely felt when being tested, please help us to be encouraged, knowing that You are strong and able to protect us from all harm and danger. And even when we do face harm and danger, You promise to give us peace and everlasting life. Thank you for this. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE FEAST

Genesis | Episode 36

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Jacob told his sons to return to Egypt when the grain was gone. They took Benjamin, went down to Egypt, and stood before Joseph. Joseph wept when he saw Benjamin. He served his brothers a meal, and the brothers ate and drank with him.

## PEOPLE

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob, also called Israel, was the father of 12 sons, including Joseph, and one daughter. He did not want Benjamin to return to Egypt with Jacob's other sons, but Judah convinced him that it was necessary, and he agreed.

**JUDAH:** Judah was the fourth-born son of Jacob (Israel). Judah convinced Jacob to let Benjamin return to Egypt with his other brothers, and he took personal responsibility for Benjamin's safety.

**BENJAMIN:** Benjamin was the younger brother of Joseph, and the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. He went to Egypt with his brothers, as Joseph had commanded.

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel, and he had become the ruler over all Egypt. He did not tell his brothers who he was, but told them they must bring Benjamin back to Egypt. He prepared a feast for his brothers.

**JOSEPH'S MANAGER:** Joseph's manager was in charge of his household. Joseph told his manager to prepare a feast for his brothers.

**SIMEON:** Simeon was the second-born son of Jacob (Israel). Joseph had imprisoned Simeon and kept him from returning home. Joseph brought Simeon out from prison and returned him to his brothers.

# THE FEAST

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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Joseph made his brothers bring Benjamin to Egypt.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROTECTION

**Safety** | God protected Joseph's brothers as they journeyed from Canaan to Egypt to get food.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Wisdom** | God helped Joseph collect and store enough food to feed all the people during the seven years of famine.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Reconciliation** | God allowed Joseph to see his brothers again, and through them to find out that his father was still alive.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 36, "The Feast."**

1. When the grain that Jacob's (Israel's) sons brought back from Egypt was finished, Israel told them to go back and get more.
2. Judah asked his father for permission to take Benjamin with them, and that he would guarantee his safety. Jacob (Israel) agreed and told them to bring gifts and twice the amount of money.
3. Joseph's brothers did as Jacob (Israel) had told them and went down to Egypt with Benjamin.
4. Joseph saw his brother Benjamin, and commanded his household manager to prepare a feast for them.
5. Joseph's brothers thought this feast was an excuse to attack them and take them as slaves.
6. Joseph's brothers spoke to Joseph's household manager about the money found in their packs. He said that it was God who put treasure in their packs.

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7. Simeon was brought out from prison, and Joseph's brothers were brought into Joseph's house.
8. Joseph's brothers prepared their gift for Joseph's arrival at noon.
9. Joseph arrived, and his brothers presented him with their gift and bowed before him.
10. Joseph inquired about his father and whether he was still alive. Joseph's brothers replied that he was alive and well.
11. Joseph saw his brother Benjamin. He hurried out of the room, went into his chamber, and wept.
12. Joseph washed his face and regained control of himself. He came out and ordered the meal to be served.
13. The brothers and Joseph ate, and Benjamin's portion was five times as large as the others. They ate and drank and enjoyed themselves.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Lessons from Joseph's Brothers

1. Who convinced Jacob (Israel) to let Benjamin go to Egypt and personally guaranteed his safety?

*Answer:* Judah convinced Jacob.

2. What did Jacob (Israel) tell his sons to take with them to Egypt?

*Answer:* Jacob told his sons to bring:

1. a gift of honey, spices, myrrh, and nuts
2. twice the amount of money to buy grain
3. the money that came back with them in their packs.

3. What did the brothers think when they were taken to the governor's (Joseph's) house?

*Answer:* The brothers thought they were brought into the governor's house because of the money that had been placed in their packs, and that Joseph would enslave them.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Lessons from Joseph

1. What was the reason Joseph took his brothers into his house?

*Answer:* Joseph intended to dine with them.

2. Why did Joseph leave the room to go weep by himself?

*Answer:* Joseph left the room to weep because of the strong feelings he felt for his brother, Benjamin.

3. Why were the brothers amazed at how they were seated for their meal?

*Answer:* The brothers were amazed because they were seated in their birth order, from firstborn to youngest.

# THE FEAST

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## DISCUSS

1. Why do you think Jacob (Israel) finally agreed to let Benjamin go to Egypt?
2. Judah had been the one to suggest selling Joseph into slavery twenty years prior. In this episode, he took personal responsibility for Benjamin. How did Judah seem to have changed over the past twenty years?
3. The household manager told the brothers that God had put their money into their packs. Why do you think he said this?
4. Benjamin was young the last time Joseph saw him. How do you think Joseph felt to see Benjamin for the first time in twenty years?
5. How do you think Joseph felt to be eating in the same room as his brothers after everything that happened between them?
6. How do you think Benjamin felt to be served a portion of food that was five times larger than anyone else's?

## MEMORY VERSES

And he lifted up his eyes and saw his brother Benjamin, his mother's son, and said, "Is this your youngest brother, of whom you spoke to me? God be gracious to you, my son!" Then Joseph hurried out, for his compassion grew warm for his brother, and he sought a place to weep. And he entered his chamber and wept there.

Genesis 43:29-30

## QUIZ

1. What did Jacob (Israel) tell his sons to bring with them as a gift for the governor of Egypt?  
A. Honey      B. Myrrh      C. Nuts      D. All of the above 

# THE FEAST

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2. Who convinced Jacob (Israel) to send Benjamin to Egypt?  
A. Simeon      B. Reuben      C. Judah ◀      D. Benjamin
3. Who took responsibility to personally guarantee Benjamin's safety?  
A. Jacob      B. Judah ◀      C. Levi      D. Dan
4. What did Joseph tell his manager he would do with the brothers?  
A. Put them in prison      B. Eat food with them ◀      C. Speak to them      D. Trick them
5. When did Joseph arrive for the meal?  
A. At noon ◀      B. At sunset      C. At sunrise      D. In the afternoon
6. What did the Egyptians refuse to do with the Hebrews?  
A. Live with them      B. Speak with them      C. Trade with them      D. Eat with them ◀
7. When Joseph saw Benjamin, what did he do?  
A. He sat down and ate his meal.      B. He gave his servants orders.  
C. He left the room to weep. ◀      D. He left the room to change his clothes.
8. Who did the household manager say put the money in Joseph's brothers' packs?  
A. God ◀      B. Joseph      C. Reuben      D. Judah
9. Which brother received five times as much food as everyone else?  
A. Simeon      B. Reuben      C. Judah      D. Benjamin ◀
10. What did the brothers do at the feast?  
A. They ate quietly.      B. They sat in their seats, afraid.  
C. They drank and enjoyed themselves. ◀      D. They tried to join the Egyptians at their table.

## PRAY

Dear God, by preserving Joseph's life in Egypt, you not only saved the people of Israel, but You also reunited a broken family. As we live in a world full of broken relationships, including strained and fractured families, give us hope for restoration. Please bring reconciliation to our lives and to the lives of those around us. You are a good and gracious God, and we thank You for Your mercy. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# THE REUNION

Genesis | Episode 37

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Joseph's brothers were not far away from Egypt when Joseph's manager caught up to them. The silver cup was found in Benjamin's pack, so the brothers returned to Egypt. Judah pleaded with Joseph for his brother Benjamin's life. Joseph revealed who he was to his brothers.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. He had become the ruler over all Egypt, and he sold grain to his brothers when they came to Egypt during the famine. Joseph revealed to his brothers who he was and reconciled with them.

**JOSEPH'S MANAGER:** Joseph's manager was in charge of his household. Joseph told his manager to return his brothers' money for grain to their sacks and to place Joseph's silver cup in Benjamin's sack. Then Joseph had his manager accuse his brothers of stealing the silver cup.

**BENJAMIN:** Benjamin was Joseph's youngest brother. Joseph had his silver cup planted in Benjamin's sack of grain.

**JOSEPH'S BROTHERS:** Joseph had 11 brothers. Joseph revealed to his brothers who he truly was, and reconciled with them.

**JUDAH:** Judah was the fourth son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah. Judah begged Joseph to spare his brother and offered to stay in Egypt in the place of Benjamin when Benjamin was found with the silver cup in his bag.

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob (Israel) was the father of 12 sons and one daughter. He was especially attached to Joseph and Benjamin, the two sons of his wife who had died, Rachel.

# THE REUNION

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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Egypt is where Joseph and his brothers reunited and reconciled.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Reconciliation** | God allowed Joseph and his brothers to be reunited and reconciled.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**God's Grand Plan** | Joseph told his brothers that God had sent him to Egypt to save many lives.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 37, "The Reunion."**

1. Joseph commanded the manager of his house to fill each of his brothers' packs with food and to put their money in the opening of their packs.
2. Joseph commanded the manager of his house to put his silver cup in Benjamin's pack, along with his money.
3. Joseph's brothers were leaving, and before they were far away, Joseph told his manager to go after his brothers and confront them for stealing.
4. Joseph's manager confronted Joseph's brothers. The brothers denied that they had stolen, and said that whoever was found with the cup could be put to death, and the rest would become slaves.
5. The brothers opened their packs, and the silver cup was found in Benjamin's pack. The brothers tore their clothes in grief and returned to Egypt.
6. Joseph's brothers fell down before him, and Joseph asked them how they could have done such a thing.
7. Judah spoke to Joseph, telling him that they would remain in Egypt as his slaves. Joseph refused and told them that only Benjamin would stay, and the rest should go back to their father.
8. Judah approached Joseph and explained that Benjamin was all their father had left of the wife he loved and her children. Judah said that if they returned without Benjamin, their father would die.



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9. Judah pleaded with Joseph, telling their story and asking him to spare Benjamin and take him instead, since he had guaranteed Benjamin's safe return.
10. Joseph cried out, telling everyone to get away from him. Everyone left except his brothers.
11. Joseph told his brothers who he was, and asked again if his father was still alive.
12. Joseph's brothers were terrified at his presence, but Joseph explained that God had sent him to Egypt to save many lives.

## LESSON TWO 2

### The Silver Cup

1. What did Joseph tell his manager to put inside the opening of Benjamin's pack?  
*Answer:* Joseph told his manager to put his silver cup inside the opening of Benjamin's pack, along with his money.
2. What did Joseph's brothers do when they were accused of stealing?  
*Answer:* The brothers tore their clothes in grief, loaded up their donkeys, and returned to the city.
3. Which of Joseph's brothers approached him to try to convince Joseph not to enslave Benjamin?  
*Answer:* Judah approached Joseph.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Joseph Reveals Himself

1. How did Joseph respond to Judah's words?  
*Answer:* Joseph sent everyone away, wept loudly, and then told his brothers who he truly was.
2. After Joseph made his identity known to his brothers, what was the first question he asked them?  
*Answer:* Joseph asked if it was true that his father was still alive.
3. Why did Joseph say that God sent him ahead of his brothers?  
*Answer:* Joseph said that God had sent him ahead of his brothers to preserve life.

# THE REUNION

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## DISCUSS

1. Do you think it was wrong for Joseph to have his household manager put the silver cup in Benjamin's bag? Why or why not?
2. Do you think Joseph's brothers believed Benjamin really stole the silver cup? Or do you think they believed it was planted, or an accident?
3. What would you do if you were falsely accused of stealing? What would you do if you were in Benjamin's situation?
4. What do you think Judah felt when he stood before Joseph to plead for Benjamin's life?
5. Why do you think Joseph's brothers were terrified at his presence when he revealed who he was to them?
6. Benjamin and Joseph wept when they saw each other for the first time in so long. Have you ever been so happy that you cried?

## MEMORY VERSES

So Joseph said to his brothers, "Come near to me, please." And they came near. And he said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life."

Genesis 45:4-5

## QUIZ

1. Joseph told his household manager to put what item in the sack of the youngest brother?  
A. Joseph's gold cup  
B. Joseph's brass cup  
C. Joseph's Cup of Judgment  
D. Joseph's silver cup 

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2. Who did Joseph ask to confront his brothers as they left Egypt?  
A. His commander      B. His youngest brother      C. His household manager ◀      D. Pharaoh
3. In whose food pack did the household manager find the missing silver cup?  
A. Benjamin's ◀      B. Simeon's      C. Levi's      D. Reuben's
4. When the brothers saw the cup in Benjamin's pack, what did they do?  
A. They ran away.      B. They tore their clothes. ◀  
C. They wept.      D. They admitted to stealing the cup.
5. Joseph said that the man who took his cup would be what?  
A. Thrown in prison      B. Killed      C. Sent home      D. Become his slave ◀
6. What part of Jacob (Israel) did Judah say was tied to Benjamin?  
A. Jacob's mind      B. Jacob's life      C. Jacob's heart ◀      D. Jacob's spirit
7. Which brother spoke to Joseph to convince him not to keep Benjamin?  
A. Benjamin      B. Judah ◀      C. Levi      D. Reuben
8. What did Pharaoh's household hear Joseph doing?  
A. Yelling      B. Weeping ◀      C. Singing      D. Speaking
9. Why did God send Joseph to Egypt, according to Joseph?  
A. To save many lives ◀      B. To save his own life      C. To protect his family      D. To help Pharaoh
10. How did Joseph's brothers react to Joseph's revelation that he was their brother?  
A. They were joyful.      B. They were peaceful.  
C. They were angry.      D. They were terrified. ◀

## PRAY

Dear Lord, thank You for how Your Word encourages and shapes us. As Judah pleaded for the life of his brother, offering himself as a ransom for Benjamin's life, we can look forward to see how You gave Your only Son as a ransom for our lives, when Jesus died on the cross for our sins. Strengthen our faith and help us to trust in You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# ISRAEL INVITED TO EGYPT

Genesis | Episode 38

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Joseph asked his brothers to go and tell his father, Jacob, about everything they had seen. Joseph's brothers left Egypt and returned to Jacob. Jacob exclaimed that his son was alive and began his journey to Egypt, taking with him all that he had.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel, and he had become the ruler over all Egypt. He helped his father and his father's family move to Egypt so he could provide for them for the rest of the famine.

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob (Israel) was the father of 12 sons, including Joseph, and one daughter. Pharaoh helped Jacob move to Egypt so that he could be taken care of for the rest of the famine.

**PHARAOH:** Pharaoh was the ruler over all Egypt. He sent wagons to help Jacob (Israel) and his family move to Egypt.

**JOSEPH'S BROTHERS:** Joseph had 11 brothers. They told Jacob (Israel) that Joseph was alive and convinced him to return to Egypt with them.

**BENJAMIN:** Benjamin was the younger brother of Joseph, and the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel. Joseph and Benjamin embraced each other and wept after Joseph told his brothers who he was.

## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived. Jacob left Canaan with all that he had and traveled to Egypt.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Jacob (Israel) and his family moved to Egypt to escape the famine.

# ISRAEL INVITED TO EGYPT

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROTECTION

**God's Grand Plan** | Joseph told his brothers that God had sent him to Egypt to save their lives and to ensure that they would have descendants.

### GOD'S REVELATION

**A Great Nation** | God appeared to Jacob (Israel) in a vision and told him that He would go down with him to Egypt and make him into a great nation there.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE 1

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 38, "Israel Invited to Egypt."**

1. Joseph explained to his brothers that God had sent him ahead of them to Egypt to save their lives.
2. Joseph told his brothers to tell everything to their father and to tell him to come back to Egypt with his household.
3. Joseph and Benjamin embraced each other and wept.
4. Pharaoh told Joseph to tell his brothers to come to Egypt. He sent wagons to help carry all of Jacob's (Israel's) household to Egypt.
5. Joseph gave his brothers wagons and provisions from Pharaoh for their journey. He gave them each a set of new clothes, but gave Benjamin three hundred pieces of silver and five sets of new clothes.
6. The brothers went to Jacob (Israel), their father, and told him that Joseph was still alive.
7. The brothers told Jacob (Israel) that Joseph had become the ruler over the land of Egypt, and Jacob was stunned.
8. Jacob (Israel) agreed to go to Egypt. He began his journey to Egypt with all he had.
9. Jacob (Israel) offered sacrifices to God in Beersheba, and God spoke to him. God told Israel not to be afraid of going to Egypt.
10. Jacob (Israel) and his whole household arrived in Egypt.

### LESSON TWO 2

#### Pharaoh's Provision

1. Joseph told his brothers there would be how many more years of famine?  
*Answer:* Joseph told his brothers there would be five more years of famine.

# ISRAEL INVITED TO EGYPT

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**2. What did Pharaoh tell Joseph to provide for his family for their travels to Egypt?**

*Answer:* Pharaoh told Joseph to give his family wagons to help bring Jacob's (Israel's) family to Egypt.

**3. How was Benjamin's provision different from his brothers'?**

*Answer:* Joseph's brothers each received a set of new clothes, but Benjamin received three hundred pieces of silver and five sets of new clothes.

## LESSON THREE **3**

### Jacob Moves to Egypt

**1. Joseph told his brothers that it was not they who had sent him to Egypt, but who?**

*Answer:* Joseph told his brothers that it was God Who sent him to Egypt.

**2. What was the total number of people in Jacob's (Israel's) family when he went to Egypt?**

*Answer:* All the people in Jacob's family numbered 70.

**3. List three things God said to Jacob (Israel) when He appeared to him in a vision in Beersheba.**

*Answer:* God told Jacob:

1. I am God, the God of your father.
2. Do not be afraid to go down to Egypt.
3. I will make you into a great nation in Egypt.
4. I will go down with you to Egypt, and bring you back here again.
5. Joseph's hand will close your eyes.

*(Students may list any three of the five)*

## DISCUSS

**1. Joseph told his brothers that God made him a father to Pharaoh. What do you think this means?**

**2. Why do you think Pharaoh wanted to help Joseph's family move to Egypt?**

**3. Do you think Jacob (Israel) would have agreed to come down to Egypt if Joseph had returned to him? Why or why not?**

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4. Jacob (Israel) offered sacrifices to God on his way to Egypt. Why do you think Jacob felt this was an important thing to do?
5. God told Jacob (Israel) not to be afraid to go to Egypt. Do you think Jacob was afraid to go to Egypt? Why or why not?
6. Jacob (Israel) never questioned his sons about what happened to Joseph after finding out he was alive. Why do you think he chose not to?

## MEMORY VERSES

"And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God. He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.

"Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt. Come down to me; do not tarry.'"

Genesis 45:7-9

## QUIZ

1. Where did Pharaoh tell Joseph to bring his father?  
A. To Canaan      B. To Egypt       C. To his place      D. To Goshen
2. How many years of the famine were left when Pharaoh said he would ensure the safety of Jacob's (Israel's) family?  
A. Two years      B. Four years      C. Five years       D. Three years
3. Who did Joseph say sent him to Egypt?  
A. God       B. Judah      C. Pharaoh      D. Potiphar
4. Where did Joseph want to settle in Egypt so his family could be close to him?  
A. Canaan      B. Goshen       C. Gerar      D. Beersheba
5. What kind of transportation did Pharaoh tell Joseph to give to his family for their journey?  
A. Horses      B. Camels      C. Chariots      D. Wagons

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6. What did Joseph give each of his brothers?

- A. A change of clothing  B. Gold and silver  C. Livestock and grain  D. A new grain sack

7. What did Joseph give to his brother Benjamin?

- A. Five sets of new clothes   
B. 500 pieces of silver   
C. 500 pieces of silver and three sets of new clothes   
D. 300 pieces of silver and five sets of new clothes

8. What did Joseph tell his brothers not to do as they traveled back together?

- A. Mistreat their animals  B. Be sorrowful   
C. Be overcome with fear  D. Lose their way

9. When Jacob (Israel) heard the news about Joseph, how did he respond?

- A. He wept.  B. He was stunned.  C. He was angry.  D. He was excited.

10. What did God tell Jacob (Israel) that He would make him into in Egypt?

- A. A great man  B. A great father   
C. A great religion  D. A great nation

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, through Israel, You brought all of Your people into the land of Egypt, and saved their lives during a famine. Thank You for showing us that You work good through our lives and circumstances in ways we do not understand. As we learn from Your Divine Narrative, help us to see Your love for Your people, including us. Keep us steadfast in the faith. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





# JOSEPH & JACOB REUNITED

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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Joseph presented himself to his father Jacob, and he embraced him and wept on his neck for a long time. Pharaoh gave Jacob and his family the land of Goshen to live in. Joseph made it a law in Egypt that Pharaoh should collect a tax of 20 percent.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel, and he had become the ruler over all Egypt. He was reunited with his father, Jacob, and presented him to Pharaoh.

**PHARAOH:** Pharaoh was the royal title for the ruler over all Egypt. Pharaoh was blessed by Jacob (Israel), Joseph's father.

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob (Israel) was Joseph's father. He moved to Egypt, and met with Pharaoh and blessed him.

**THE EGYPTIANS:** The Egyptians were the people who lived in Egypt. The Egyptians ran out of money and livestock to trade for food during the famine. They offered to sell themselves and their land to Joseph in exchange for food, in order to survive.

**JOSEPH'S BROTHERS/FAMILY:** Joseph had 11 brothers, as well as a sister, Dinah.

## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived before they moved to Egypt.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Jacob (Israel), his family, and everything they had now lived in Egypt.

**GOSHEN:** Goshen was on the north side of Egypt. It was where Joseph's family settled, after they moved to Egypt during the famine.

**RAMESES:** Rameses is the city in which Jacob (Israel) and his family settled in the land of Goshen, as ordered by Pharaoh.

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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Reconciliation** | God reunited the family of Jacob (Israel), and allowed Jacob to see Joseph before he died.

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Land and Livelihood** | God gave Joseph's family a place to live in Goshen, and gave them employment as shepherds.

**Wisdom** | God provided Joseph with the understanding and wisdom he needed to store and distribute food so the people could live through the famine.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 39, "Joseph & Jacob Reunited."**

1. Joseph went to Goshen to meet his father, Israel. He wept with him for a long time.
2. Joseph told his father's family that he would tell Pharaoh that they were shepherds. This would ensure that they could live in Goshen because Egyptians were disgusted by shepherds.
3. Joseph told Pharaoh that his father and brothers had come from Canaan with their flocks, livestock, and all their possessions.
4. Pharaoh asked Joseph's brothers their occupation, and they said they were shepherds, and asked to live in Goshen. Pharaoh agreed, and told Joseph to put some of the capable shepherds in charge of his livestock.
5. Joseph brought his father to Pharaoh and Jacob (Israel) blessed Pharaoh.
6. Joseph found a place for his father and brothers in the land of Goshen, in the city of Rameses.
7. The famine was severe, and both Egypt and Canaan grew weak from hunger. Joseph collected all the money there was in Egypt and Canaan in exchange for the grain the people bought.
8. All the Egyptians came to Joseph and asked for food even though they had no money. Joseph said he would exchange food for their livestock, and they did.
9. The Egyptians came to Joseph again and told him that all their money and livestock were gone. They asked for Joseph to buy them and their land, so that they would be Pharaoh's servants in exchange for seeds to plant.
10. Joseph bought all the land in Egypt for Pharaoh. He also made all the people of Egypt into servants.
11. Joseph told the people that he had acquired them and their land for Pharaoh. He gave them seed to sow in the land. The Egyptians replied that Joseph had saved their lives, and that they would be Pharaoh's servants.
12. Joseph enacted a 20% tax on the Egyptian people.

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## LESSON TWO 2

### A Reunion

1. What did Joseph do when he saw his father?

*Answer:* Joseph embraced his father and wept for a long time.

2. Why did Joseph tell his family to tell Pharaoh that they were shepherds?

*Answer:* Joseph told his family to tell Pharaoh they were shepherds so that they could settle in the land of Goshen. This was because Egyptians were disgusted by shepherds.

3. Who blessed Pharaoh?

*Answer:* Jacob (Israel) blessed Pharaoh.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Egypt During the Famine

1. What kinds of things did the Egyptian people give in exchange for food?

*Answer:* Money, livestock, themselves, and their land.

2. What did Joseph say he would exchange with the people for food the first time they ran out of money?

*Answer:* Joseph said he would give the people food in exchange for their livestock.

3. What did the people suggest as a solution to their hunger after they had run out of both money and their livestock?

*Answer:* The people suggested that Joseph buy them and their land so that they would be servants of Pharaoh in exchange for food and seed to plant.

## DISCUSS

1. Joseph had not seen his father for over twenty years. What do you think Joseph was thinking when he saw him again?

2. Why do you think Egyptians were disgusted by shepherds?

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3. Jacob (Israel) told Pharaoh that the years of his life were few and difficult. Why do you think he described his life this way?
4. Jacob (Israel) blessed Pharaoh. Why do you think he did that?
5. The Bible tells us that Joseph provided for all of Jacob's (Israel's) household, taking care of even the youngest. Why do you think the Bible records this detail?
6. Do you think it was right for Joseph to transfer the ownership of the Egyptians' land, livestock, and persons to Pharaoh?

## MEMORY VERSES

Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, "Your father and your brothers have come to you. The land of Egypt is before you. Settle your father and your brothers in the best of the land. Let them settle in the land of Goshen, and if you know any able men among them, put them in charge of my livestock."

Genesis 47:5-6

## QUIZ

1. Who was Joseph with when he wept for a long time?  
A. His brothers      B. His wife      C. His son      D. His father ◀
2. How did the Egyptians feel about shepherds?  
A. They valued them.      B. They were disgusted by them. ◀  
C. They didn't care about them.      D. They ignored them.
3. Where did Joseph's brothers tell Pharaoh they wanted to live?  
A. In Egypt      B. In the wilderness      C. In Goshen ◀      D. In Canaan

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4. Pharaoh told Joseph to put capable shepherds in charge of what?  
A. Pharaoh's livestock ◀      B. Pharaoh's fields  
C. Pharaoh's bread-making      D. Pharaoh's household
  
5. What happened to Egypt and Canaan during the famine?  
A. The people became angry.      B. The people became weaker. ◀  
C. Chariots      D. The people began to riot.
  
6. What are some things that the Egyptians gave to Joseph in order to get food?  
A. Themselves      B. Land      C. Their slaves      D. Themselves and their land ◀
  
7. How did Jacob (Israel) describe the years of his life to Pharaoh?  
A. Few      B. Difficult      C. Less than his ancestors      D. All of the above ◀
  
8. How old did Jacob (Israel) tell Pharaoh he was?  
A. 125      B. 130 ◀      C. 135      D. 120
  
9. What did Jacob (Israel) do for Pharaoh?  
A. He blessed him. ◀      B. He gave him money.  
C. He told him Joseph's story.      D. He gave him livestock.
  
10. How much was the tax that Joseph required of the Egyptian people?  
A. 80%      B. 10%      C. 5%      D. 20% ◀

## PRAY

Dear God, You used leaders in Egypt to protect and bless the people of Israel as they established themselves in that land and faced the famine. Please guide and protect us in our own countries, knowing that You establish rulers and leaders for our care. Help all who lead and rule to do so justly and with the wisdom that comes from You. And help us to honor those in authority. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

An illustration of two men, Jacob and Joseph, in traditional attire. Jacob is on the left, with a beard and a head covering. Joseph is on the right, with a clean-shaven face and a head covering. The background is a textured, light gray.

# JACOB BLESSES JOSEPH'S SONS

Genesis | Episode 40

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Jacob and his sons lived in Goshen, and their numbers multiplied greatly. Joseph swore to Jacob that he would bury him in the land of Canaan. Jacob blessed Joseph's two sons, saying that the younger brother would be greater than the older.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel, and he had become the ruler over all Egypt. Joseph brought his two sons to his father so that Jacob could bless them.

**ISRAEL (JACOB):** Jacob (Israel) was father to 12 sons, including Joseph, and one daughter. Jacob blessed Joseph's two sons, crossing his hands, and saying that the younger would be greater than the older.

**EPHRAIM:** Ephraim was the second son of Joseph and Asenath, and he was the brother of Manasseh. Ephraim's grandfather, Jacob (Israel), blessed him and counted him as one of his own sons for his inheritance.

**MANASSEH:** Manasseh was the firstborn son of Joseph and Asenath, and the brother of Ephraim. Manasseh's grandfather, Jacob (Israel), blessed him and counted him as one of his own sons for his inheritance.

## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is where Jacob (Israel) and his family lived before they moved to Egypt.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Jacob (Israel), his family, and all that he had moved to Egypt to avoid the famine, and settled there.

**LUZ:** Luz was the place in the land of Canaan where God appeared to Jacob (Israel) and blessed him.

**GOSHEN:** Goshen was on the north side of Egypt. It was where Joseph's family settled after they moved to Egypt during the famine.

**EPHRATH:** Bethlehem was another name for Ephrath. Jacob (Israel) was traveling to Ephrath when he buried Rachel, his wife, when she died giving birth to Benjamin.

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**BETHLEHEM:** Jacob (Israel) was traveling to Bethlehem (Ephrath) when he buried Rachel, his wife, when she died giving birth to Benjamin.

**PADDAN:** Paddan was in Canaan. It was there that Jacob's (Israel's) wife, Rachel, died giving birth to Benjamin. Israel buried her there on the way to Ephrath.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROMISE

**Numerous Descendants** | Jacob (Israel) told Joseph how God had appeared to him and promised that He would make him fruitful and numerous, and give that land to his descendants.

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Ephraim and Manasseh** | Jacob (Israel) asked God to bless his two grandsons, Ephraim and Manasseh.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 40, "Jacob Blesses Joseph's Sons."

1. The family of Jacob (Israel) lived in Goshen and became numerous.
2. Jacob (Israel) asked Joseph to promise that he would bury him with his fathers in Canaan, and Joseph swore to do it.
3. Joseph brought his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim, to see Jacob (Israel).
4. Jacob (Israel) told Manasseh and Ephraim how God had blessed him and promised to make him a great nation and give him the land as a possession forever.
5. Jacob (Israel) told Joseph that Manasseh and Ephraim would receive an inheritance as if they were Jacob's own sons.
6. Jacob (Israel) asked Joseph to bring his sons Ephraim and Manasseh close to him so he could bless them. He kissed and embraced them.
7. Jacob (Israel) put his right hand on the head of the younger son, Ephraim, and put his left hand on the older son, Manasseh, to bless them. Joseph tried to correct him, but Israel said the younger son would be greater than the older.
8. Jacob (Israel) then spoke to Joseph and gave him a portion of the land that he had captured from the Amorites.

# JACOB BLESSES JOSEPH'S SONS

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## LESSON TWO 2

### Joseph Presents His Sons

1. What did Jacob (Israel) ask Joseph to swear that he would do for him after he died?

*Answer:* Jacob asked Joseph to promise that he would bury him with his fathers in Canaan, and not in Egypt.

2. Who did Joseph bring to see Jacob (Israel) before Israel died?

*Answer:* Joseph brought his two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, to see Jacob before he died.

3. What did Jacob (Israel) say about Joseph's two sons?

*Answer:* Jacob said that Joseph's two sons would be considered Jacob's in name and in terms of the inheritance.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Jacob's Blessings

1. What does the Bible tell us about Jacob's (Israel's) eyesight?

*Answer:* Jacob's eyesight was fading. He could not see.

2. What did Jacob (Israel) do that displeased Joseph when he blessed Joseph's two sons?

*Answer:* Jacob crossed his arms, so that he blessed Manasseh, the oldest son, with his left hand and Ephraim, the younger son, with his right hand.

3. What land did Jacob (Israel) tell Joseph he was giving him?

*Answer:* Jacob said he was giving him the portion of land that he captured from the Amorites.

## DISCUSS

1. Why do you think it was so important to Jacob (Israel) to be buried in the land of his fathers, rather than in Egypt?

2. Jacob (Israel) made Manasseh and Ephraim his inheritors along with his own sons. What does this tell us about how he thought about Joseph and being reunited with him?



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3. How does the blessing of Manasseh and Ephraim mirror what happened to Jacob himself earlier in his life?
4. Why do you think Joseph was displeased that his younger son would receive a greater blessing?
5. When Joseph, Manasseh, and Ephraim heard of God's faithfulness to Jacob (Israel) throughout his life, do you think that gave them hope for their own lives?
6. How do you think Manasseh and Ephraim felt hearing about their grandfather's conquests over the Amorites to take their land?

## MEMORY VERSES

And he blessed Joseph and said, "The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked, the God who has been my shepherd all my life long to this day, the angel who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the boys; and in them let my name be carried on, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; and let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth."

Genesis 48:15-16

## QUIZ

1. What happened to Jacob's (Israel's) family while they lived in Goshen?  
A. They all died.                      B. They conquered Canaan.  
C. They lost their way.                D. They multiplied greatly. ◀
2. How long did Jacob (Israel) live in Egypt?  
A. 5 years                      B. 17 years ◀  
C. 14 years                      D. 21 years
3. Where did Jacob (Israel) asked Joseph to bury him?  
A. In the city of Rameses                B. In Egypt                      C. In the land of his fathers ◀                D. In Goshen
4. Who did Joseph bring with him to visit Jacob (Israel)?  
A. Reuben                      B. Benjamin                      C. Judah                      D. Manasseh and Ephraim ◀

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5. As relates to his inheritance, how did Jacob (Israel) consider Ephraim and Manasseh?  
A. As his own sons ◀ B. As his grandsons C. As his kinsmen D. As his neighbors
6. How were Jacob's (Israel's) eyes described?  
A. His eyes were bright. B. His eyes were dim with age. ◀  
C. His eyes were closed. D. His eyes were crossed.
7. What did Jacob (Israel) do with his hands when he blessed Joseph's sons?  
A. He folded them. B. He raised them.  
C. He crossed them. ◀ D. He put them on his face.
8. When Joseph saw his father crossing his hands while blessing his sons, how did he feel?  
A. Displeased ◀ B. Sad C. Angry D. Confused
9. How did Jacob (Israel) describe God's relationship to him throughout the years?  
A. The LORD was a king to him. B. The LORD was a friend to him.  
C. The LORD was a light to him. D. The LORD was a shepherd to him. ◀
10. Jacob (Israel) gave land to Manasseh and Ephraim. Who had Jacob taken that land from?  
A. From the Egyptians B. From the Hittites  
C. From the Canaanites D. From the Amorites ◀

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, throughout Scripture, You reveal Your promises to Your people. Thank You for reminding us of Your enduring love and grace, that Your blessings really do continue from generation to generation. Thank You for revealing Who You are and Your faithful character. You are our shepherd throughout our lives, redeeming us from all evil, just as You did for Jacob (Israel). In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



# JACOB BLESSES HIS SONS

Genesis | Episode 41

## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Jacob called for his sons to tell them what would happen to them in the days to come. These were the 12 tribes of Israel, and their father spoke to them and blessed them, giving each the blessing appropriate to him. Then Jacob breathed his last breath.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the first son of Jacob and Rachel, and he had become the ruler over all Egypt. Jacob blessed Joseph above all his brothers.

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob (also called Israel) was the father of 12 sons and one daughter. Jacob gathered his 12 sons to tell them what would happen to them, and then he died.

**REUBEN:** Reuben was the firstborn son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah. Jacob said that Reuben was unstable as water, and that his superiority would end because he slept with his father's concubine.

**SIMEON:** Simeon was the second son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah.

**LEVI:** Levi was the third son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah.

**JUDAH:** Judah was the fourth son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah.

**ZEBULUN:** Zebulun was the sixth son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah.

**ISSACHAR:** Issachar was the fifth son of Jacob (Israel) and Leah.

**DAN:** Dan was the first son of Jacob (Israel) and Bilhah.

**GAD:** Gad was the first son of Jacob (Israel) and Zilpah.

**ASHER:** Asher was the second son of Jacob (Israel) and Zilpah.

**NAPHTALI:** Naphtali was the second son of Jacob (Israel) and Bilhah.

**BENJAMIN:** Benjamin was the second son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel.

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## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and it is the homeland of Jacob (Israel) and his family.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Jacob (Israel) and his family moved from Canaan to Egypt.

## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S BLESSING

**Family Reunion** | God allowed all of Jacob's (Israel's) sons to be reunited with him before he died.

**On Joseph** | Jacob (Israel) blessed Joseph, saying that he would be helped by God, and be blessed with blessings from Heaven.

**On Judah** | Jacob (Israel) blessed Judah, saying that the ruler's staff would not depart from him.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

**Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 41, "Jacob Blesses His Sons."**

1. Jacob (Israel) gathered his sons so that he could tell them what would happen to them in the days to come.
2. Jacob (Israel) told Reuben that he was unstable and that his superiority would end because he had slept with his father's concubine.
3. Jacob (Israel) told Simeon and Levi that they were related by weapons of violence. They had killed men and wounded cattle.
4. Jacob (Israel) told Judah that his brothers would praise him and that the ruler's staff would not depart from him. He is a lion's cub and stands over his prey.
5. Jacob (Israel) told Zebulun that he would live by the shore of the sea.
6. Jacob (Israel) told Issachar that he would become a servant to forced labor.
7. Jacob (Israel) told Dan that he would judge his people, and that he would be like a viper on the path.
8. Jacob (Israel) told Gad that a troop would raid Gad, but he would attack them at their heels.
9. Jacob (Israel) spoke of Asher, saying his food was rich and that he would provide food fit for a king.
10. Jacob (Israel) spoke of Naphtali, saying that he was a doe set free that bears beautiful fawns.

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11. Jacob (Israel) said that Joseph would be helped by the mighty God of Jacob, and he would be blessed with blessings from Heaven.
12. Jacob (Israel) spoke of Benjamin, saying he was a ravenous wolf.
13. Jacob (Israel) gave each of his sons the blessing appropriate to them. Then he instructed them about his coming death and where he wanted to be buried.
14. Jacob (Israel) finished instructing his sons, and then he died.

## LESSON TWO 2

### Jacob Gathers His Sons

1. Why did Jacob (Israel) gather his sons together?  
*Answer:* Jacob gathered his sons to tell them the things that would happen to them in the days to come.
2. Why did Jacob (Israel) say that Reuben was unstable as water and that his superiority would end?  
*Answer:* Jacob said that Reuben was unstable as water because he had slept with his father's concubine, and defiled his father's bed.
3. What did Jacob (Israel) curse concerning Simeon and Levi?  
*Answer:* Jacob cursed their anger and violence.

## LESSON THREE 3

### Jacob Dies

1. Which brother did Jacob (Israel) compare to a lion's cub?  
*Answer:* Jacob compared Judah to a lion's cub.
2. Which brother did Jacob (Israel) say was a fruitful plant by a spring?  
*Answer:* Jacob said that Joseph was a fruitful plant by a spring.
3. What did Jacob (Israel) do after he blessed his sons?  
*Answer:* After blessing his sons, Jacob pulled his legs up into his bed and died.

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## DISCUSS

1. For years, Jacob (Israel) thought that Joseph was dead, and Simeon was imprisoned for a time. How do you think he felt to be surrounded by all of his sons as he died?
2. What do you think was going through Reuben's mind when he was confronted with his past sin of sleeping with his father's concubine?
3. Why do you think Jacob (Israel) cursed the anger of Simeon and Levi? What does this tell us about Jacob?
4. Jacob (Israel) said that the scepter would not depart from Judah. What do you think this means?
5. Jacob (Israel) said that the archers attacked Joseph fiercely, but that his bow remained steady. What do you think this means?
6. How do you think Benjamin felt being compared to a "ravenous wolf"?

## MEMORY VERSES

**"The scepter shall not depart from Judah,  
nor the ruler's staff from between his feet,  
until tribute comes to him;  
and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples."**

**When Jacob finished commanding his sons, he drew up his feet into the bed and breathed his last and was gathered to his people.**

Genesis 49:10, 33

## QUIZ

1. Who did Jacob (Israel) gather together before he died?  
A. His sons  B. His servants C. His wives and concubines D. The Egyptians

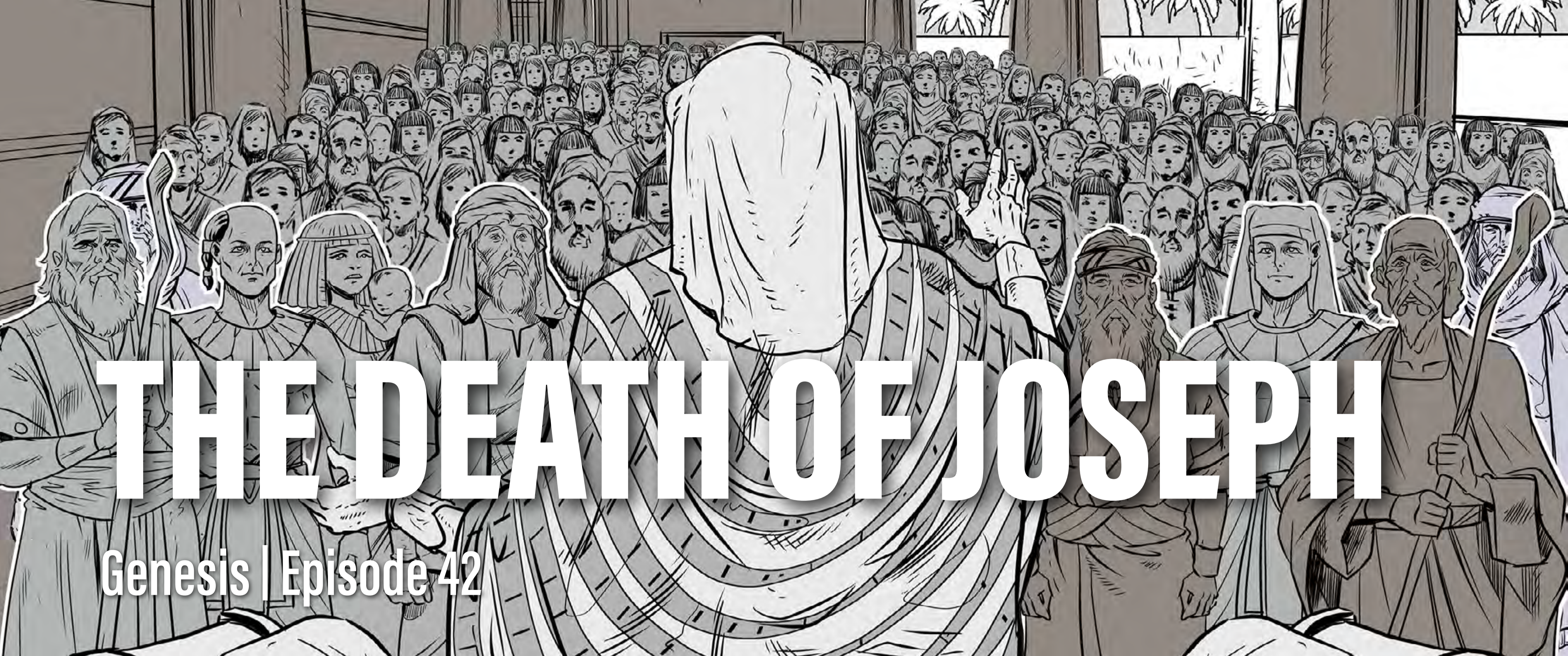
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2. How did Jacob (Israel) describe Reuben?  
A. As the firstfruits of his strength  
B. As a lion's cub  
C. As a doe set free  
D. As unstable as water
3. How did Jacob (Israel) say Simeon and Levi were related?  
A. By their love of God  
B. By their weapons of violence  
C. By their rich food  
D. By their ancestor's blessing
4. Jacob (Israel) said Judah's eyes would be darker than what?  
A. Wine  
B. The sea  
C. The night sky  
D. The blood of grapes
5. Jacob (Israel) said that the scepter would not depart from which of his sons' descendants?  
A. Reuben  
B. Joseph  
C. Benjamin  
D. Judah
6. What did Jacob (Israel) say that Dan would do for his people?  
A. Rescue them  
B. Punish them  
C. Judge them  
D. Feed them
7. Which son's food was rich, fit for a king?  
A. Dan  
B. Asher  
C. Joseph  
D. Issachar
8. Which son did Israel say was attacked by archers?  
A. Joseph  
B. Benjamin  
C. Reuben  
D. Simeon
9. Jacob (Israel) compared Benjamin to what animal?  
A. A lion's cub  
B. A doe set free  
C. A ravenous wolf  
D. A viper on the path
10. Jacob (Israel) told his sons to bury him with which family member?  
A. Abraham  
B. Isaac  
C. Leah  
D. All of the above

## PRAY

Dear God, You established the 12 tribes of Jacob (Israel) to multiply and fill the land that You set aside for them. You used Jacob to prophesy over and bless his sons in order for that to happen. Now that we have been brought into Your family through faith, bless us with faith that endures, even when things are hard. Help us to see Your mercy and provision throughout the Scriptures, and let it give us comfort. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



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## EPISODE DESCRIPTION

Joseph went up to Canaan to bury his father Jacob, and many went with him. Joseph continued to live in the land of Egypt along with his father's household. He made the sons of Israel swear an oath to carry his bones out of Egypt. Joseph died at the age of 110.

## PEOPLE

**JOSEPH:** Joseph was the son of Jacob (Israel) and Rachel, and he had become the ruler over all Egypt. Joseph died at the age of 110.

**JACOB (ISRAEL):** Jacob (Israel) was father to 12 sons, including Joseph, and one daughter. He died and all Egypt mourned for him, and he was buried in his homeland of Canaan.

**PHARAOH:** Pharaoh was the royal title for the ruler over all Egypt. He gave permission to Joseph to go bury his father in Canaan.

**THE EGYPTIANS:** The Egyptians lived in Egypt. They went with Joseph to mourn the death of his father, Jacob (Israel).

**JOSEPH'S BROTHERS:** Joseph had 11 brothers. They were afraid that Joseph would be harsh with them after their father died, but Joseph comforted them.

## PLACES

**CANAAN:** Canaan was along the Mediterranean Sea, next to Egypt, and was the homeland of Jacob (Israel) and his family.

**EGYPT:** Egypt was to the southwest of Canaan, and the Nile River ran through it. The ruler of Egypt was called Pharaoh. Jacob (Israel) and his family had moved from Canaan to Egypt.





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## GOD'S RESPONSE

### GOD'S PROVISION

**Family Burial** | Years ago, God provided a burial site for Abraham's family, and this allowed Jacob (Israel) to be buried in his homeland.

**Wisdom** | God provided Joseph with insight so that he understood that, though his brothers had done evil to him, God meant it for good.

**Forgiveness** | God gave Joseph forgiveness toward his brothers who had sinned against him years earlier.

### GOD'S FAVOR

**Favor with Pharaoh** | God gave Joseph favor with Pharaoh so that he was allowed to leave Egypt to bury his father in Canaan.

### GOD'S REVELATION

**Deliverance** | Joseph told his brothers what his father had told him: that God would bring them out of Egypt to the land God had promised to give to Abraham's offspring.

## LEADER'S GUIDE

### LESSON ONE **1**

Have students summarize the events presented in iBIBLE episode 42, "The Death of Joseph."

1. Jacob (Israel) died, and Joseph wept for him.
2. Joseph ordered his physicians to prepare his father for burial.
3. Joseph asked Pharaoh if he could go bury his father in Canaan, as he had promised his father. Pharaoh agreed.
4. Joseph went to Canaan to bury his father, and all the servants and leaders of Pharaoh and Egypt went with him, as well as Joseph's entire household.
5. Joseph and his fellow travelers arrived at the threshing floor of Atad and they mourned Jacob's (Israel's) death.
6. Jacob's (Israel's) sons buried Israel as he ordered them to do: in Canaan, in the same cave where Abraham and his family were buried.
7. Joseph returned to Egypt, along with his brothers and all who had gone with him.
8. Joseph's brothers were afraid that Joseph would harm them since their father had died, so they asked for Joseph's forgiveness.



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9. Joseph was kind to his brothers and said that what his brothers had meant for evil, God meant for good.
10. Joseph told his brothers that God would bring them out of Egypt to the land God had promised to give to the offspring of Abraham.
11. Joseph asked that his brothers carry his bones out of Egypt after he died.
12. Joseph died at the age of 110, and his body was prepared for burial.

## LESSON TWO **2**

### Jacob Is Mourned

1. What did Joseph ask Pharaoh permission to do?  
*Answer:* Joseph asked permission to bury his father, Jacob (Israel), in Canaan, as Joseph had sworn his father he would do.
2. What did the Canaanites say when they saw the mourning on the threshing floor of Atad?  
*Answer:* The Canaanites said, "How bitterly the Egyptians mourn."
3. Apart from the family of Jacob (Israel), who went to Canaan to mourn for Jacob?  
*Answer:* All the servants of Pharaoh, the leaders of his household, and the leaders of the land of Egypt went to mourn for Jacob.

## LESSON THREE **3**

### Jacob's Burial, Joseph's Death

1. What were Joseph's brothers afraid of, after the burial and mourning for Jacob (Israel), their father, was over?  
*Answer:* Joseph's brothers were afraid that Joseph would hate them for all the evil they did to him.
2. Where was Jacob (Israel) buried?  
*Answer:* Jacob was buried in the land of Canaan, in the cave in the field of Machpelah, which Abraham had purchased from Ephron the Hittite.
3. What did Joseph ask his brothers to promise him before he died?  
*Answer:* Joseph asked his brothers to promise him to carry his bones out of Egypt.

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## DISCUSS

1. Why do you think the place of his burial mattered so much to Jacob (Israel)?
2. In addition to Joseph's family, all of Egypt went to mourn Jacob's (Israel's) death. Why do you think they did this?
3. Pharaoh had granted multiple requests from Jacob (Israel) over the years. Why do you think Pharaoh had such respect for Jacob?
4. Do you think Joseph's brothers were right to be afraid that Joseph would hurt them in return after their father died?
5. What do you think motivated Joseph to forgive his brothers?
6. Is there anyone in your life who has sinned against you and needs your forgiveness, like Joseph's brothers desired forgiveness from Joseph?

## MEMORY VERSES

But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them.

Genesis 50:19-21

## QUIZ

1. After Jacob (Israel) died, what did Joseph order the physicians to do?  
A. To tend to Joseph  
B. To prepare Jacob for burial   
C. To bring Jacob back to life  
D. To prepare a burial site

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2. How long did Jacob's (Israel's) family and the Egyptians mourn for Jacob (Israel) while in Egypt?  
A. 20 days      B. 40 days      C. 60 days      D. 70 days ◀
3. What did Joseph ask permission from Pharaoh to do?  
A. To mourn for his father      B. To let his people go from Egypt  
C. To go to Canaan to bury his father ◀      D. To embalm Israel
4. Where in Canaan did they mourn Jacob (Israel)?  
A. The threshing floor of Atad ◀      B. The threshing floor of Canaan  
C. The fountain of Atad      D. The fountain of Canaan
5. How long did Jacob's (Israel's) family and the Egyptians mourn him once they reached Atad?  
A. 70 days      B. 3 days      C. 7 days ◀      D. 14 days
6. What does the name Abel-mizraim mean?  
A. The mourning of Israel      B. The mourning of Egypt ◀  
C. The mourning of Canaan      D. The mourning of Joseph
7. Who did they leave behind in the land of Goshen while they went to mourn Jacob (Israel)?  
A. Their little ones      B. Their flocks      C. Their cattle      D. All of the above ◀
8. How did Joseph's brothers feel about Joseph after their father died?  
A. They were affectionate toward Joseph.      B. They were angry with Joseph.  
C. They were afraid of Joseph. ◀      D. They were sad about Joseph.
9. When Joseph's brothers apologized, Joseph explained that what they had meant for evil, God meant for what?  
A. God meant for good ◀      B. God meant for patience  
C. God meant for evil      D. God meant for prosperity
10. Before Joseph died, what did he make his brothers promise to do?  
A. Live in Canaan      B. Take care of his sons  
C. Bow down to Pharaoh      D. Carry his bones up from Egypt ◀

## PRAY

Heavenly Father, thank You that death is not the end. Though we may weep and suffer in our lives, and ultimately face physical death, please give us hope in the resurrection and our eternal lives with You. Just as Joseph's life was used to protect Your people, help us to serve You throughout our own lives to help others. Gather us, Your people, into Your Kingdom which has no end. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.