



Twos

August 2016

DATE

Abraham

LESSON TITLE

Beginner's Bible (pp. 44-51)

WHERE TO FIND IT

God loves his family.

MAIN POINT

schedule

This is a recommended schedule. You can adjust, but do make time for the lesson and the activity!

- 15 minutes Check in and play time
- 5 minutes Clean up toys
- 10 minutes Prayer/sing/snack
- 5 minutes Lesson/story time
- 10 minutes Lesson activity/craft
- 5 minutes Song time
- 10 minutes Play and clean up time

tips

For many two-year-olds, leaving their grown-up can be traumatic. To reduce the separation anxiety, be sure to welcome new kids with warmth and excitement, and introduce them to a new toy or activity as soon as they enter the room.

check-in/out

As you check in kids, be sure to ask parents if their kids are potty-trained or are working on it. And so you know - if there is an "accident" we've got some clothes available to send them home in.

Not sure where to find clothes? Call the Info Center to have someone help you. The number should be posted in your room.

large group heads up

Today's story is Abraham. God chose him to start a family that would one day bring a rescuer—Jesus!



instructions

Goal: Help kids understand God's story in language they understand.

Why? We want kids to know that God loves them, and a great way to do that is to help them experience stories about how much he loves us!

Tip: The story of Abraham is long—focus on how God chose him to start his special family, and that we are a part of that family!

small group

ACTIVITY 1 – FAMILY PLAY DOUGH

We're going to make our family out of play dough!

- Pass out play dough to each kid.
- Tell/show kids how to make little people shapes with their play dough (They don't have to look like real people, they might just be little balls or funny shapes. We can still pretend they're our family!)
- God told Abraham he would give him a family, and he did!
- God loves his family, and God loves us!

Supplies needed: Play dough

ACTIVITY 2 – COLORING PAGE

As kids color their page, ask:

- What is this? (Stars in the sky)
- Let's count these stars! (Count along with kids)
- God said Abraham would LOTS of family, just like there are LOTS of stars in the sky!

Supplies needed: Coloring page, crayons

special notes

Think about what kids will understand in this story: family, home, stars. Help the lesson to stick by focusing on the simple parts that kids relate to!

presenter tips

Two-year-olds have short attention spans, so redirect their attention often. Use big hand motions, fun voices, and act silly! If the script calls for kids to do an active motion, do it with them!

script

INTRO

Hi everybody! It's so good to see you today. This is the Bible, and it's a very special book! (*show the Bible to kids*) It's all about God, and how much he loves us. God loves me (*point to yourself*) and God loves you! (*point to kids*)

Today we're learning about a man named Abraham! God told Abraham that he would give him a BIG family! But this wasn't just any family. This would be God's *special* family. Let's read a story from the Bible about how God gave a family to Abraham. (Read **pp. 44-51** from The Beginner's Bible)

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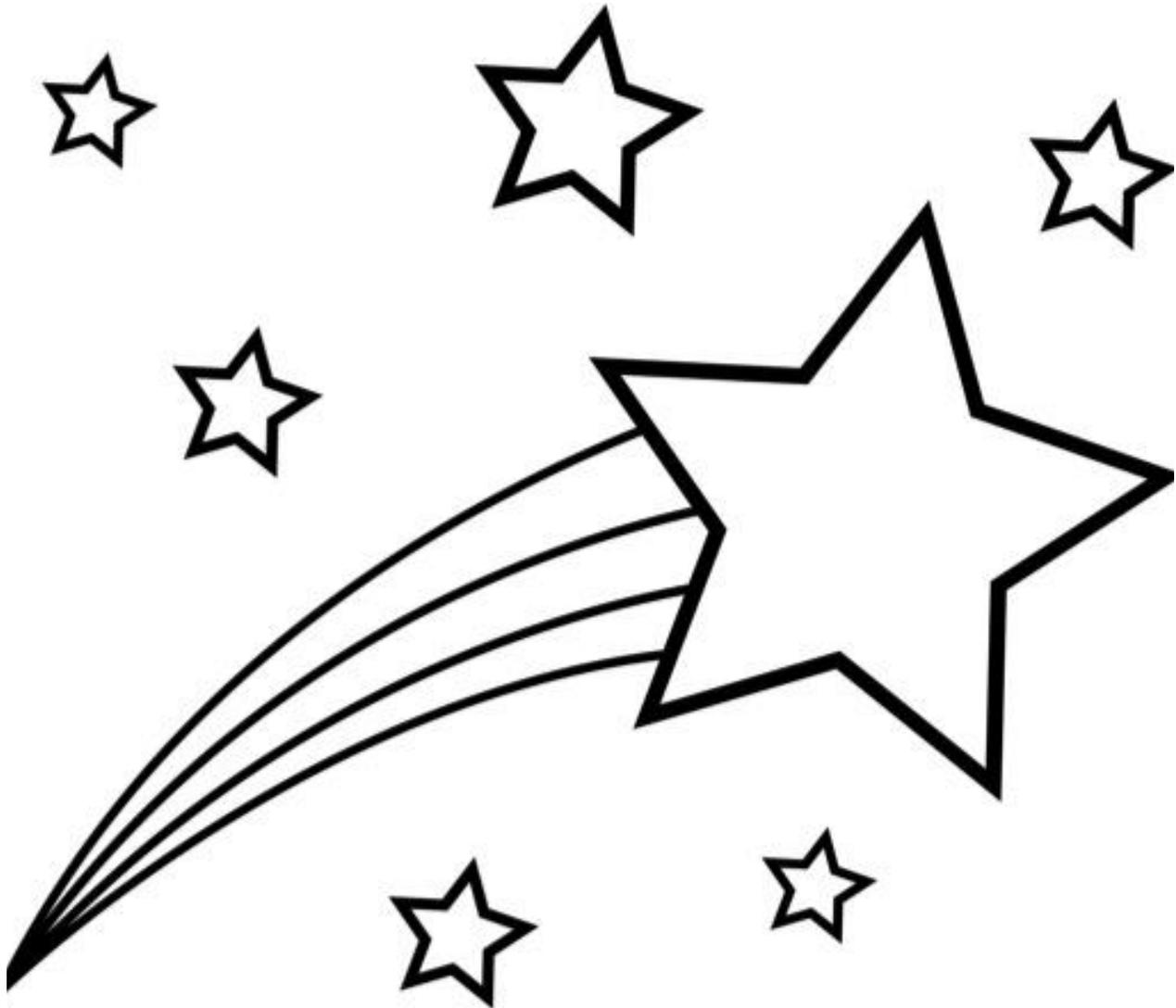
God told Abraham to do something really hard. He had to move to a new place! Do you all have a home? (Let kids respond.) Me too! A home is where you live. Do you have a family? (Let kids respond.) Me too! Family are the people you live with. Abraham had a wife, named Sarah. They had a small family at first. But God gave Abraham and Sarah a big family because he loved them!

God told Abraham that he would have lots of family members, just like there are lots of stars in the sky! (**Show kids the star picture.**) Let's all reach up to the stars! (Reach your hands up along with kids.) Guess what? We are a part of God's special family too!

One day, God would bring a rescuer from this family! His name is Jesus. He came here to rescue YOU (*point to kids*) and ME (*point to yourself*). Can you give me a big smile? (Let kids respond.) Good job! Did God love Abraham? (**YES!**) Does God love us? (**YES!**) Does God take care of us? (**YES!**)

PRAY God, we love you so much. You will always be with us. Amen!

name



PREP needs



connect time supplies

No Connect Time for Twos

small group supplies

Per group: Bible, crayons, play-dough

Per kid: Coloring page

large group supplies

Per Group: The Beginner's Bible (p. 44-51), image of stars (Page 6)

a/v needs

Working CD player and any Kids' Club CD

connect questions

What did God give Abraham and Sarah?

