

## Children's Bible Lesson: God's Promise To Abraham

**Introduction:** Stand silently. Look carefully at your clock (or wrist watch). Pretend that you are waiting for something to happen. Wait for one of the children to ask you what you are waiting for. (This may take a few minutes.) Then say, *"I was actually waiting for you to ask that! In today's story you will learn about a man named Abraham who was waiting for something too. He was waiting for God's Big promise to come true."*

**Active Listening:** Say, *"Please listen carefully while I read our Bible story. When I'm done I'll ask some questions to see how well you understood the story."* The questions under "review" below are the key points for them to understand from the lesson, so be sure to emphasize them as you read.

**Read:** Tell the story of the Genesis 12 – 15 in your own words emphasizing the answers to the questions below. Be sure to engage the children with good story telling. Ask unscripted questions to clarify points in the story.

**Review:** Call on volunteers to answer these questions from the story you just read. Some possible answers are written as *italics* below.

1. What were the 3 parts of God's promise to Abraham?  
*God was sending him to a new place, to make a new people, to be a blessing to all people.*

2. What did Abraham do? *He listened to God's Word and did what God said.*
3. Did the promise happen right away? What was the problem? *No – they didn't have any children.*
4. How many children did God promise? *As many as the stars in the sky.*
5. What did Abraham do when he heard this promise? *He believed God.*