

GOD'S STORY



3CK at Home

NOVEMBER

CHAPTER 3: *God has a plan.*

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Abraham and Isaac

Genesis 22:1-19

God wants us to follow Him even when it's really hard.

Books of the Bible for the month:

Job, Psalms, Proverbs,
Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon
(or Song of Songs)

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"The Lord your God is with you.
He is the Mighty Warrior who saves."
Zephaniah 3:17a



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Welcome to November! The month of all things pumpkin, fall, turkeys, and Thanksgiving. It's a perfect time press into the purpose in God's Story: We sin, but God saves us. In this packet you will find weekly discussion questions and activities for the corresponding week's online lessons! Along with each week's unique activities, be sure to dive into these weekly activities as well! Check out 3crosses.org/kis and youtube.com/3crosseskids for all the activities!



JOURNAL

After watching the lesson for the week it is time to take a few minutes and document a bit of what you've learned! Take out your "God's Story" journal for the month of November and open up to corresponding week! Get out your coloring supplies, pencils, etc. and you can either draw a picture from today's story, a picture of the big idea, or write down some of what you learned about God's amazing story! This is your chance to keep record of the awesome things God is teaching you! Make sure to keep all your journals together because we have something special for those at the end of the year!



MEMORY VERSE

Watch this month's memory verse with the hand motions. You have all month to memorize it, but once you do, be sure to send in a video of you saying the verse to Kids@3Crosses.org for your chance to be entered into a raffle for a special prize!



CRAFT

Grab your craft supplies and watch the craft video for the week to help guide you in making something amazing to remind you all about what we are learning! We'd love to see a picture of your creations as well!



MAP

Check your November map for all your extra activities for the week! Your map is the key to keep you on track as we go all month long! Place a sticker on each activity you complete and send a picture of you with your map at the end of the month to kids@3Cross.org for a chance to win a prize!

WEEK 1

Abraham and Isaac

Genesis 22:1-19

God wants us to follow Him even when it's really hard.



PROLOGUE:

A new month brings about a new chapter in our journey through God's Story and this month we are focusing in on God's Plan! Our world might be broken, but God is faithful and we can always trust Him. As we start the journey, we are looking at the story of Abraham and Isaac. God asked Abraham to do something so incredibly hard - to sacrifice his son! The son God had promised him. Now, we know the ending of the story, but we have to know how difficult it must have been for Abraham. And just as God provided the substitute ram, God has a plan to save us as well! Now, we have to be willing to follow him even if it is hard, knowing how much He loves us!

WATCH the LESSON VIDEO (Elementary or Preschool)
and fill out your JOURNAL!



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What was the best part of your week?
2. What stood out to you in today's story?
3. How do you think Abraham felt when God asked him to sacrifice his son, Isaac?
4. Did Abraham obey God anyways? (yes)
5. Why did God stop Abraham? (God did not want Abraham to hurt Isaac.)
6. Can you think of someone who DID sacrifice His Son? (God sacrificed His Son Jesus)
7. Why did God give Jesus as a sacrifice for us? (To save us from our sins.)

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8. Did God HAVE to do it for us? (No, but He CHOSE to because He loves us. He wants us to have a relationship with Him.)
9. Has God ever asked you to do something hard? What happened?



BONUS ACTIVITY: Would you rather..?

Materials needed: Would you rather questions below (or research more, create your own!)

- Enjoy some funny conversations as you work through our list of would you rather questions
- Feel free to create your own questions as well!
- As far as would you rather goes, you have to choose between the two options given
- Add a fun twist by choosing sides of a room in your house to represent the answers and watch what everyone chooses!
- Would you rather...

Fly or breath under water? Go to the ocean or a lake in the mountains? Eat pizza or eat a burger? Eat In 'n Out or Chick Fil'A? Ride space mountain or big thunder mountain? Have no eyelashes or no eyebrows? Eat a worm with mustard or eat a spider with ketchup? Have butterfly wings or a horse tail? Eat a whole jar of mayonnaise or drink a cup of hot sauce? Constantly itch or constantly cough? Have breakfast on the top of the Eiffel Tower or dinner in a castle?

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WEEK 2 Jacob and Esau

Genesis 27:1-40

Nothing can destroy God's plan.



PROLOGUE:

God always has a plan. As much as we try to control things or our sin gets in the way, nothing can stop God's ultimate plan. We see that specifically in the story of Jacob and Esau as they seem to create trouble in God's Story. But, we have to remember, that God is ultimately in control - we can trust Him in all moments as He can use all things to carry out His plan and purpose. Be encouraged knowing that even though we don't always follow God the way we should, God still accomplishes His will in spite of us.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What is something you are thankful for this week?
2. What stood out to you from today's story?
3. What was different about Esau and Jacob?
4. Why did Esau sell his birthright to Jacob? (He was foolish and cared more about food than his birthright)
5. Was it right for Jacob to lie to his father, Isaac? (No, he should not have lied.)
6. How did God use this situation for His good?
7. Have you ever wanted to do things your way instead of God's way? What happened?
8. What could have happened if Jacob did it God's way? (He still would've gotten the birthright, but Esau wouldn't have been so mad at him. He also would not have had to lie to his father.)
9. Can you think of a time you received something you didn't deserve?



ACTIVITY: Charades

Materials needed: Pieces of paper, pens, paper

- Divide your family into teams (Or work as one team as a whole to get as many as you can in a certain amount of time)
- Have everyone write down a certain amount of action words, nouns, etc.
- Put them in a hat or bowl
- Give a player 30 seconds to act out as many of the words from the bowl as possible (each correct answer from their teammate equals one point)
- Have the other team or a different player take a turn until there are no more words left
- Create a new round for more fun!

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WEEK 3 The Story of Joseph

Genesis 37:1-36; Genesis 40-45

God can use even bad things for good.



PROLOGUE:

Romans 8:28 tells us, "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose." Joseph's story is a perfect example of this. Although, it is hard to imagine everything Joseph faced in his life, from being thrown into a well, sold into slavery, and put in prison... but one thing he always held on to was his faith. In the end, God used this crazy story of twists and turns FOR GOOD in Joseph's life as he became a leader in Egypt! It is seriously amazing what God can do. Our world is sinful and bad things happen to those who don't deserve it, but not all hope is lost! In the end, God uses a crucifixion to carry out His plan of salvation. He can use all things, how amazing is that?!

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1. What was the best part of your week?
2. What stood out to you from today's stories?
3. Why did Joseph's brother's not like him? (They were jealous of him because he was favored by their father)
4. What did they do to Joseph because of their jealousy? (They threw him in a well and then sold him into slavery)
5. How would you feel if your family betrayed you? How do you think Joseph felt?
6. Why did Joseph end up in prison? (Potiphar's wife lied about him) and how did he get out of prison? (by interpreting dreams of prisoners who eventually told Pharaoh about it)
7. Have you ever found it hard to forgive someone for doing something wrong to you?
8. Read Colossians 3:13. What does the Bible say about forgiveness?
9. How did God take care of Joseph during his time in Egypt?
10. How has God taken care of you or your family when things weren't going well?
11. Read Romans 8:28. God works for the good of what kind of people?



ACTIVITY: Colorful Coat

Materials needed: Cardstock with Romans 8:28 on it, coloring supplies

- Have them be as creative as possible to fill the paper with a geometric design using a black marker and then color in the design (no white should be left)
- Find a good spot to put it up in the house in order to create a reminder that God can use all things!

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if you do miss it, it will be available on youtube later this week!***

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WEEK 4

God Calls Moses

Exodus 1-4
God has a plan for YOU!



PROLOGUE:

Moses' story is so incredibly unexpected. His mother, out of fear to keep her child alive sets him off on a river... just in hope that someone will find him and he will have a chance to live. This is the beginning of it all. Moses was found by Pharaoh's daughter and his story unfolds from there. God had a plan for Moses from the very beginning and it is amazing to know that God has a plan for your life as well. We just have to be willing to follow Him and trust Him through it all. It is pretty amazing that even with all of our faults and shortcomings, the God of the universe loves us and wants to use us for great things!

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What is something you are thankful for this week?
2. What stood out to you in today's story?
3. What was happening in Egypt when Moses was born? (The pharaoh at the time felt that there were too many Israelites and any boys born should be killed)
4. How was it that Moses lived? (He was placed in a basket and sent down the river when one of Pharaoh's daughter found him and saved him)
5. Why did Moses flee from Egypt? (He had killed an Egyptian and now Pharaoh wanted him dead)
6. Who spoke to Moses from the burning bush and what did He say? (God spoke to him there and told him to go to Egypt to help free the Israelites)
7. How do you think Moses felt? Why?
8. What sign did God give to Moses to encourage him? (He turned a staff into a snake and then back again)
9. Read Jeremiah 29:11 as a class again and talk about God's plan for Moses' life and the truth that God has a plan for our lives as well!



ACTIVITY: Thank You Cards

In light of Thanksgiving, take time as a family, turn on some worship music (we even have a 3CK playlist on spotify to check out), grab your paper, coloring supplies, stickers, etc. and start writing some thank you cards. You can make them for teachers, family you will see on Thanksgiving, even for each other! Take solid time together and enjoy showing love to those around you!

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WEEK 5

Review and Application

God has a plan!



PROLOGUE:

Sometimes life seems to take some crazy twists and turns. Things don't go the way we hoped and bad things happen no matter how much we try to avoid them. The amazing thing is that God still has a plan and can use even the worst situations for good. In light of that, we were reminded that God has a plan for us as well! It is such an encouragement to know that God isn't done working and His plan cannot be thwarted. We saw this unfold in some amazing stories this month: Abraham and Isaac, Jacob and Esau, Joseph, and Moses. The path isn't always straight, but God's plan is always present and we can rest in that truth no matter what is happening around us.

WATCH the LESSON VIDEO (Elementary or Preschool)
and fill out your JOURNAL on the GRATITUDE page!



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What is something you are thankful for this week?
2. What was your favorite story from this month? (Abraham and Isaac, Jacob and Esau, Joseph, and Moses) Why was that your favorite?
3. What did God ask Abraham to do with Isaac? (Sacrifice his son, Isaac)
4. What happened in the end of the story? (God provided a ram to take Isaac's place, but Abraham was willing to follow God even when it was hard)
5. How did Jacob try to get in the blessing from his father? (He used food to get the birthright from his brother and then fooled his father by pretending to be his brother to get the blessing)
6. Was that able to stop God's plan? (No, God still carried out his plan)
7. What did Joseph's brothers do to him and why? (They threw him in a well and then sold him to slavery because they were jealous of their father's love for him)
8. How did God use all of that hardship for good? (Eventually, Joseph became a leader in all of Egypt and he even forgave his brothers)
9. How did God protect Moses as a baby? (His mom placed him in a basket and they sent him on the river, praying for God's protection - he ended up in the house of Pharaoh)
10. What does it mean to you that God has a plan for your life? How does that change things for you when bad things happen?



ACTIVITY: GROWING GRATITUDE

Take time as a family to look back on the month so far... write down some of the BEST moments and GREAT things God did in a family journal (don't have one? start one!). Then, have every family member add one thing they are thankful for. Make this a monthly tradition as you document as a family all that God has done for you!

ZOOM PARTY TIME!

Join us at 12:30pm with your family and your lunch for an awesome recap of the month as well as a chance to win some EPIC prizes!

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