Call of Abram/Abram & Lot

Genesis 12:1-9, 13:1-18



The Story

Abram was a man who worshiped God. He lived in Ur of the Chaldeans. Ur was a beautiful place, but many of the people there did not worship the true God. The people built towers called ziggurats. They used the towers to worship the moon god. This made God very sad.

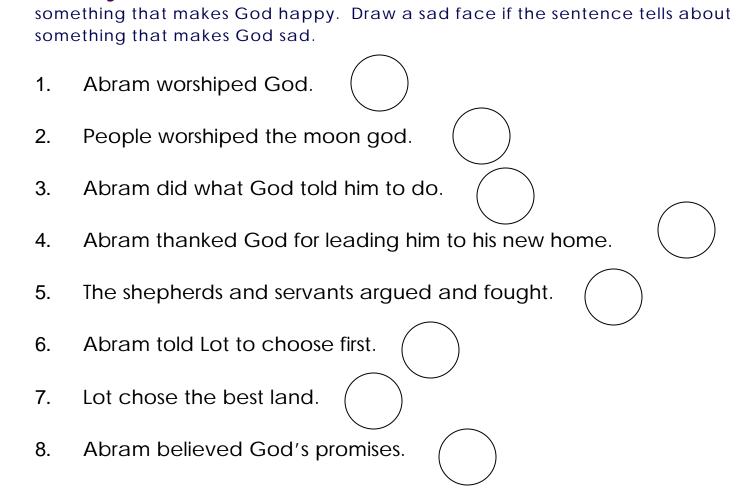
God loved Abram so much. He wanted to make sure Abram would not worship the moon god. God told Abram to move away from his family and friends who worshiped the moon god. God promised to take care of Abram in a new home. He promised Abram he would have many children and grandchildren in the new home. One day Jesus would be born into Abram's family!

Abram did what God told him to do. Abram took his wife, Sarai, and his nephew, Lot, to the new home.
Abram and Lot had many sheep and camels. They had many shepherds and servants. The sheep, camels, shepherds, and servants all went, too. They walked, and walked, and walked. At last they came to their new home. It was called Canaan. Everyone was happy to be there! Abram built an altar in Canaan. He thanked God for leading him to his new home.

God took care of Abram, Sarai, and Lot in Canaan. Soon there were many more sheep and camels. There were so many sheep and camels that the shepherds and servants could not find room for them. The shepherds and servants started to argue and fight. Abram did not like the arguing. He did not like the fighting. He wanted his new home to be peaceful.

Abram had an idea. Canaan was a big land. He could live in one part. Lot could live in another part. Abram and Lot looked at the big new land. The best land was on the right. There was a river. There was green grass. There were large cities. On the left there were just trees and fields. Abram told Lot to choose first. Lot chose the best land. He took his sheep, camels, shepherds, and servants to the green grass near the river and the cities. Abram took his sheep, camels, shepherds, and servants to the trees and fields. The arguing and fighting stopped. Everyone was happy again.

God was happy Abram was in his new home. He reminded Abram about His promises. God promised all of Canaan would belong to Abram some day. He promised Abram would have as many children and grandchildren as the dust of the earth. Abram believed God's promises. God kept His promises!



Activity One - Review: Draw a happy face if the sentence tells about

Activity Two - Tell how God takes care of you in your home. Draw a picture of your home.

God's hand in Abram's life led him to earthly and eternal treasures.

God's hand supports and saves those who put their faith and trust in Him.

Passage

Hebrews 11:8 "By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would afterward receive as an inheritance. And he went out."

Hymn - TLH 428, v. 1, 4

I am trusting Thee, Lord Jesus, Trusting only Thee; Trusting Thee for full salvation, Great and free.

I am trusting Thee to guide me; Thou alone shalt lead, Ev'ry day and hour supplying All my need.

Prayer

Dear Jesus,

Thank you for taking care of Abram in his new home. Help me to remember that you promise to take care of me, too. Amen.