



Abraham's Promise

Learning to Trust While Waiting

Genesis 12; 15; 17-18; 21 · Ages 8-12 · Free ₹0

This book belongs to

Read, wonder, talk

Enjoy eight short chapters. Look up the Bible references with an adult. Pause when something surprises you. Finish with the questions and your creative activity.

About this edition

Original retelling and layout prepared for Christ Alive Church, Bengaluru. The text summarises the biblical passages; it is not a Bible translation. New cover illustration created with AI.

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CHAPTER 01

Leave the Familiar

Genesis 12:1-3

God called Abram to leave his country and his father's household for a land God would show him. Abram did not receive a map of every future day. He received God's call and promises. Through him, God planned a blessing that would reach far beyond one family to all the families of the earth.

Pause and notice: what changes in this part of the story?

CHAPTER 02

The First Steps

Genesis 12:4-9

Abram went, taking Sarai, his nephew Lot and their household. The journey brought them into Canaan. Abram built altars and called on the Lord. His travelling life was becoming a life of worship. Trust grew through real steps on real roads, even though he could not yet see how every promise would unfold.

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CHAPTER 03

An Honest Question

Genesis 15:1-3

Years passed, and Abram still had no child. He brought his question to God: how could the promise of descendants happen? The Bible does not hide his concern. Faith does not require pretending that waiting is easy. Abram could tell God what troubled him while still turning toward Him for an answer.

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CHAPTER 04

Look Up

Genesis 15:4-6

God led Abram outside and told him to look at the stars. Could he count them? His descendants would be too many to count that way. Abram believed God, and God counted his faith as righteousness. The great sky helped him see that God's promise was larger than what he could arrange for himself.

Pause and notice: what changes in this part of the story?

CHAPTER 05

New Names

Genesis 17:1-8,15-19

God gave Abram the name Abraham and Sarai the name Sarah. He again promised them a son, Isaac. They were old, and the promise seemed impossible by ordinary human strength. Yet the future of this family rested on God's faithfulness. Their new names pointed to a story God had not finished telling.

Pause and notice: what changes in this part of the story?

CHAPTER 06

Laughter at the Tent

Genesis 18:1-15

Visitors came to Abraham's tent and announced that Sarah would have a son. Sarah laughed to herself. How could this happen now? The Lord asked whether anything was too hard for Him. Sarah's surprise did not make God abandon His promise. He knew the doubts and hopes hidden inside the tent.

Pause and notice: what changes in this part of the story?

CHAPTER 07

A Child Is Born

Genesis 21:1-7

At the time God had promised, Sarah gave birth to Isaac. Abraham and Sarah welcomed the child they had waited for. Sarah spoke of the laughter God had brought her. The baby's name was connected with laughter too. What had once seemed unbelievable had become a small child in their arms.

Pause and notice: what changes in this part of the story?

CHAPTER 08

What Trust Means

Genesis 21:1-7; Hebrews 11:8-12

Abraham and Sarah's story shows God's faithfulness through a long wait. It does not promise that every wish we have will come true on our chosen date. It teaches us to listen to God's actual promises, speak honestly to Him and obey the next step. God sees more of the road than we do.

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Think together

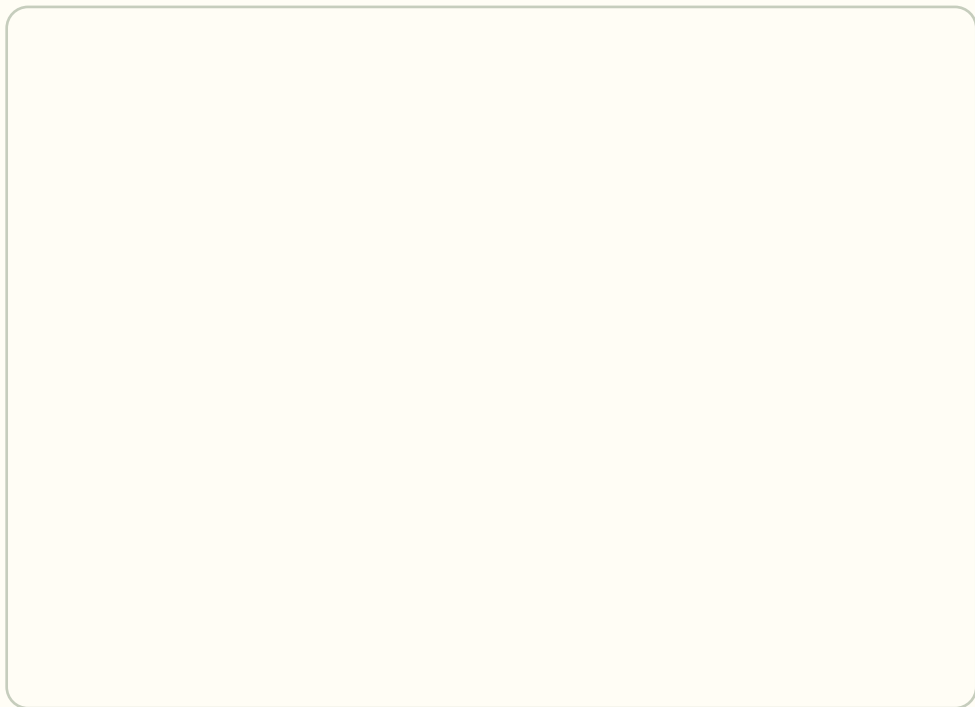
1. What did Abram leave when God called him?

2. What did the stars help him understand?

3. How can we be honest with God while we wait?

Make it your own

Draw a night sky. Under the stars, write one prayer about something you are waiting for.



A little prayer

Thank God for what you learned. Ask Him to help you live with love, wisdom and courage today.