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**Series:** God Keeps His Promises  
Fall Year 2, Lesson 20

# God Promises Abram Many Blessings

**Take Home Point:** \*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES  
... *I believe God's promises.*

\*Repeat this phrase throughout the lesson. The leader will say the first part of the phrase (*CAPS*). The children respond with the second part of the phrase (*italics*).

**Bible Event:** Genesis 15:1-7

**We will help children know:**

- The story of God promising Abram children and land.
- God promised to send Jesus and he kept that promise.
- God promises us that if we believe in Jesus, we will someday go to heaven.

**We will help the children feel:**




- Confident that God keeps all his promises.
- Happy that God kept his promise to send Jesus.
- Trust that God will keep his promise to take them to heaven someday.

**We will help the children do:**

- Interact with puppet presentation to introduce the Bible Event.
- Participate in the Bible event.
- Craft: God Keeps His Promises Picture
- Snack: Stars in the Sky.
- Game: Challenge Impossible.
- Teach Albie the Take Home Point: GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...I believe God's promises.
- Sing and Pray.

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# THIS LESSON'S ROADMAP

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## Pre-Session Singing (10 minutes)

**Purpose:** When all children are in one group singing, it is easy for children arriving later to join the group and immediately get involved.

## Large Group Opening (15 minutes)



**Purpose:** The puppet demonstrates today's lesson. The children are introduced to the take home point and experience the Bible event.

## Puppet Presentation

*Supplies: Bubba puppet holding a small football; Presenter holds a Bible*

**Presenter:** Boys and girls, let's call Bubba. (Children call "Bubba".)

**Bubba:** (Stays out of sight and says angrily) I'm not coming out!

**Presenter:** Why aren't you coming out Bubba?

**Bubba:** I'm too mad!

**Presenter:** Bubba, come out and we'll talk about it. It might make you feel better.

**Bubba:** (sighs heavily ) Oh, alright. (Bubba comes out with a football in his hands.)

**Presenter:** Bubba, tell me what's wrong.

**Bubba:** My friend Riley *promised* me he would call me on Saturday so I could go to his house to play football.

**Presenter:** That sounds like fun. Why are you angry?

**Bubba:** (angrily says) HE NEVER CALLED ME!!! I NEVER GOT TO GO TO HIS HOUSE!!! HE PROMISED!

**Presenter:** Oh, I'm beginning to see the problem. You really like to play football, don't you?

**Bubba:** Yes. He promised and it's not nice to break a promise!

**Presenter:** Bubba, when someone breaks a promise to me, one thing really helps me.

**Bubba:** I could really use some help. What helps you?

**Presenter:** I remember that God *never* breaks his promise. The Bible is full of times God kept his promise.

Bubba: Like what?

**Presenter:** In our Bible event today, God promised Abram a son, even though Abram was very, very old.

Bubba: Did God keep his promise?

**Presenter:** Yes he did. He sent Abram a son named Isaac.

Bubba: What other promise did God keep?

**Presenter:** God promised the people of Israel he would send his son Jesus to save the world.

Bubba: I know God kept that promise.

**Presenter:** Yes he did. He also promised that someday we will go to heaven if we believe and trust in Jesus.

Bubba: I'm sure God will keep that promise too.

**Presenter:** Bubba, God always keeps his promises.

Bubba: That is good to know.

**Presenter:** Bubba, want to throw the football around with me after church?

Bubba: That would be awesome! Promise?

**Presenter:** Yes, Bubba, I promise.

**Presenter:** Now, would you like to learn more about this Bible event?

Bubba: Yes I would.

**Presenter:** First, let's practice the take home point. I'll say the first part and you say the second part.

Bubba: OK

**Presenter:** \*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...now you say, "I believe God's promises."

Bubba: I believe God's promises.

**Presenter:** Do you think you can teach the boys and girls?

Bubba: Sure.

**Presenter: OK everybody, \*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

Bubba: (and everyone): I believe God's promises.

**Presenter: One more time. \* GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

Bubba: (and everyone): I believe God's promises.

**Presenter: Wonderful. Say “goodbye” Bubba.**

Bubba: Bye everyone!

## **Bible Event:** Visit from a Dramatized Character

*A costumed adult presents the Bible event by telling it from a first person point of view. Explain to the children that they will meet an actor, someone pretending to be a person to be a person in today's Bible event.*

*Supplies: Man dressed up as old Abram with a cane; chair or stool to sit on; twinkling lights strung up so they look like they are in the sky; optional: microphone*

Presenter holds the Bible

**Boys and girls, today we will learn about Abram. Abram is someone who really lived in Bible times. (Open Bible.) In the Bible it tells the true story of when God gave Abram a special promise. Let's put on our imagination hats so we can imagine that the character coming on stage is really Abram talking to us.**

Abram, holding a cane, hobbles onto the stage, near the chair. Abram picks up the microphone (if you have one) and begins speaking.

***Option: Have someone backstage with a microphone play the part of God and speak his words for this narrative.***

**Abram: Do you mind if I sit down? My old body just can't stand too long anymore. Sits down.**

**Now, what was I going to tell you? Oh yes, I remember. I was going to tell you about the time God came to visit me and gave me a special promise.**

**One day, when I was already very old, God gave me a vision. A vision is like a dream but I was awake and the vision came from God. Close your eyes and imagine God coming to you to talk to you. Remain silent for several seconds. You can open your eyes now.**

**When God came to me, I was afraid. Shiver in fear. God knew that, so the first thing he said was...**

**God:** Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield and your very great reward.

**Abram:** I answered God, “Lord, what can you give me? I do not have any children. When I die my servant is going to get everything I own.”

**God:** When you die your servant will not get everything you own. You will have a son.

**Abram:** Then God took me outside. It was late at night and very dark out. Cover your eyes and pretend it’s dark.

Have someone turn out the lights and turn on the twinkling lights.

**Abram:** You can now open your eyes. Look how dark it is. Look around the room. Can you see the twinkling stars? When God took me outside, he showed me the stars and told me to count them.

**Let’s try to count the stars. Count with the children up to ten. My, my! There are more stars than we could ever count. When God took me outside, there were many, many more stars. There was no way I could ever count them.**

**Then God said...**

**God:** You will have as many children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and great, great grandchildren as there are stars in the sky.

**Abram:** I believed God because I know that God always keeps his promises. Then God said...

**God:** I am the Lord. I brought you out of your homeland. I will give you this land. It will be yours.

**Abram:** I believed God because I know that God always keeps his promises. After that, I had to wait a long, long time. Then one day, God gave me a new baby son. But that is a story for another day. You will learn that story next week.

Abram goes off stage. The lights come back on and the group leader comes on stage. The group leader says to the children:

God made some promises to Abram, and Abram believed God because Abram knew that God always keeps his promises. Later he made a promise to his people that he would send a Savior. He kept that promise when he sent Jesus. Now, God gives us a promise. He promises us that if we believe Jesus died for our sins and we love and trust Jesus, we will someday go to heaven to be with Jesus. We can believe that promise because God always keeps his promises.

Boys and girls, let's practice the take home point together. I will say the first part and you repeat the last part. **\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...I believe God's promises.**

Let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

Dear God,  
We love you.  
We believe your promise  
That someday we will see Jesus.  
Thank you, thank you, thank you.  
In Jesus' name.  
Amen.

**Song:**

Let's sing our song of the week. (To the tune of *London Bridge*)

Capitalized letters indicate emphasis on that syllable when the rhyme is sung.

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# Small Group Application (30 minutes)



**Purpose:** *Children will break into small groups. Smaller groups enable children to develop closer relationships with adults and peers in the church. In your small groups you will reinforce the take home point with a fun hands-on activity and discuss the Bible event. Review questions help kids apply the take home point to their daily lives.*

## Activity 1: Craft “God Keeps His Promises Picture”

*Supplies: Copies of Appendix A, one per child; crayons; star stickers*

**Boys and girls, today we are making a 'God Keeps His Promises Picture'. First, trace the cross on the picture with a black or brown crayon. Now you can color the star. When you are finished coloring, you can decorate your craft with star stickers.**

Count the stars on your picture. How many stars are there in the sky? There are too many to count. Yet, God promised Abram, who was old and had no children, that there would be more children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren born into his family than there are stars in the sky. Abram believed God because God keeps his promises.

God also promised his people that a Savior would be born who would take away their sins. Look at the cross on the picture. It reminds us that the Savior was Jesus. God kept his promise.

Jesus was born not only for those who were waiting for him, but for us, too. Jesus was born, lived, died on the cross, and came alive again so we can be forgiven of our sins and receive the gift of another promise. God promises us that someday those who believe and trust in Jesus will go to heaven to see and live with Jesus. That means you and me! We can believe that promise because God always keeps his promises.

Review the Bible Event.

**What did God promise Abram?** *(He promised Abram children and land.)*

**Let's practice the take home point. \*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES.../ believe God's promises.**

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## **Activity 2: Snack "Stars in the Sky"**

*Supplies: napkins, cups, water or juice; Option one: cookie; blue frosting; star sprinkles; plastic knives or craft sticks, hand wipes. Option two: whole strawberries.*

<b>***CAUTION:</b> <i>Be aware of food allergies children may have, before you give them anything to eat.</i>
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Before we eat our snack, let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

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We believe your promise  
That someday we will see Jesus.  
Thank you, thank you, thank you.  
In Jesus' name.  
Amen.

Option one: **Boys and girls, today we are going to eat a sky full of stars.**

**First, spread some blue sky (frosting) on your cookie.**

**Now sprinkle on some stars on your sky.**

**Count how many stars you have in your sky.**

**Eat your star-filled sky.**

Option two: **Boys and girls, look at your strawberries. See all the seeds on it? There are too many to count, just like the number of stars in the sky. You can eat your strawberries now.**

Review the Bible event.

**Tell about a time someone made a promise to you. Did that person keep his or her promise?**

Let's practice the take home point. **\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES.../ believe God's promises.**

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### **Activity 3: Game "Challenge Impossible"**

*Supplies: masking tape; one star sticker per child*

Before class, place two lines of masking tape on the floor, five feet apart

This game was purposely created to make the challenges impossible for the children to complete. They will all receive a star sticker at the end.

**Boys and girls, today we are going to try some really difficult challenges. If you can do any of them, I promise I will give you a star. Ready? Let's go.**

- 1. Reach your right arm over your head and touch your right ear.** (Give children all time to try to complete the challenge.) **Could anyone do it?**
- 2. Touch your forehead with your tongue.** (Give children time to try to complete the challenge.) **Could anyone do it?**
- 3. Stand with both feet with heels against the wall and bend at waist to touch toes without bending knees.** (Give children time to try to complete the challenge.) **Could anyone do it?**
- 4. Stand behind one line of tape and jump across the other line. You may try three times. No running to gain momentum.** (Give children all time to try to complete the challenge.) **Could anyone do it?**
- 5. Put your elbow in your ear.** (Give children all time to try to complete the challenge.) **Could anyone do it?**

**I promised a star to anyone who could complete any of the challenges. Did anyone accomplish the challenge? Even though you did not complete the challenges, you will receive a sticker as a free gift. You did not have to do anything to get them.**

**To get to heaven on our own is an impossible challenge, just as the game was an impossible challenge. To do so we must never sin. But the Bible tells us that every one of us sins. Nobody is perfect. But God gave us a free gift. He promised his people he would send a Savior who would save them from their sins.**

God kept his promise to Abram to give him a son. He also kept his promise to his people to send them a Savior. That Savior is Jesus. He kept the impossible challenge for us. He lived a perfect life, died on the cross to take the punishment for our sins, and earned heaven for us. Now those who believe and trust in Jesus will someday go to heaven. It's a free gift, just as the stickers were a free gift.

Review the Bible event.

**What do we know about God's promises?** *(He always keeps them.)*

Let's practice the take home point. **\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES.../ believe God's promises.**

Let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.

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# Prayer Time

**Tell about some promises God has kept.** (*He gave Abram a son Isaac and land. He sent Jesus. He takes care of us and forgives us.*)

**What promise can God's children look forward to him keeping?** (*Someday going to heaven to see Jesus.*)

Ask children for prayer requests and pray as a group for child's request.

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# Large Group Wrap-Up (10 minutes)



**Purpose:** The crazy bird puppet, Albie, struggles with learning the take home point. We try to teach him the take home point, but each time he confuses words or concepts. After three attempts, he finally gets it right.

**Singing:** (Optional, two or three songs, as time allows)

*Supplies:* Albie the puppet, sample of today's craft and snack.

## Lesson Review with Puppet Skit

Presenter shows Albie an example of each of the Activities done in small group. Then the kids attempt to teach Albie the take home point.

**Presenter:** We want to welcome all our guests today and thank them for coming.

(If you give guests a gift for coming, do it now.)

**Presenter:** Albie, look at the craft the children made today. It is a God Keeps His Promises Picture. The children are going to teach you our take home point. Listen carefully.



**Presenter:** (says to kids):

Kids say:

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

...I believe God's promises.

**Presenter:** (says to Albie):

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

Albie says:

*I believe stars twinkle because I told them to.*

**Presenter:**

Albie, look at the snack we ate. It looks like Stars in the Sky. Now listen carefully to the take home point.

**Presenter:** (says to kids):

Kids say:

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

...I believe God's promises.

**Presenter:** (says to Albie):

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

Albie says:

*I believe that stars are too twinkly to eat!*

**Presenter:**

Albie, today we played a game called Challenge Impossible. Now, please listen closely to the take home point.

**Presenter:** (says to kids):

Kids say:

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

...I believe God's promises.

**Presenter:** (says to Albie):

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

Albie says:

*I believe playing games makes you curvy!*

**Presenter says:**

**Albie, listen one last time.**

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

Kids response:

...I believe God's promises.

**Presenter:** (says to Albie):

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...**

*Albie's response:*

(Warms up his singing voice with "Mee, mee, mee, mee..." and sings in a silly dramatic opera-like voice)

**\*GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES...I believe God's promises.**

**Presenter says to Albie:**

**Good job, Albie!**

Albie can leave stage or join in the prayer and song.

**Let's fold our hands and pray. Repeat after me.**

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**We love you.**

**We believe your promise**

**That someday we will see Jesus.**

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**Amen.**

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**Goodbye boys and girls. Remember that God loves you and he always keeps his promises.**

