

Story 6 : Abraham

Main Bible verse
[Genesis 22:14]

So Abraham named that place The Lord Will Provide. To this day people say, "It will be provided on the mountain of the Lord."

Abraham was a man who feared God greatly. One day, God spoke to him. "Abraham, leave your country and go to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation." Abraham believed in God and His covenant. Abraham left his homeland without knowing where God was leading him. His nephew Lot, his family and livestock went with him. Finally, they arrived in Canaan.

One day, God came to Abraham. And he said to Abraham, "All the land that you see I will give to you so stay in Canaan! I will make your offspring as numerous as the stars in the sky." Abraham and Sarah remained childless.

Then one day, God came to Abraham again and spoke to him. "Abraham, your wife Sarah will bear you a son as promised." Abraham was 100 years old and Sarah was 90 years old. Can an old lady really have a baby?

Nothing is impossible for God - He is almighty. As God had said, Sarah really did have a son the following year and he was named Isaac. Isaac grew and grew.

One day, God called Abraham, because He wanted to test his faith. And God spoke to Abraham, "Abraham, take your son Isaac and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering to me."

Abraham was sad and upset but he believed in God and believed that God would fulfill His covenant. And so he left for Moriah with Isaac. Abraham and Isaac finally reached Moriah.

Abraham built an altar. Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. But God called out to him, "Abraham, do not lay a hand on your son. Now I know that you fear me, because you have not withheld from me your only son!" Then, Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns.

The ram was the offering that God had prepared.

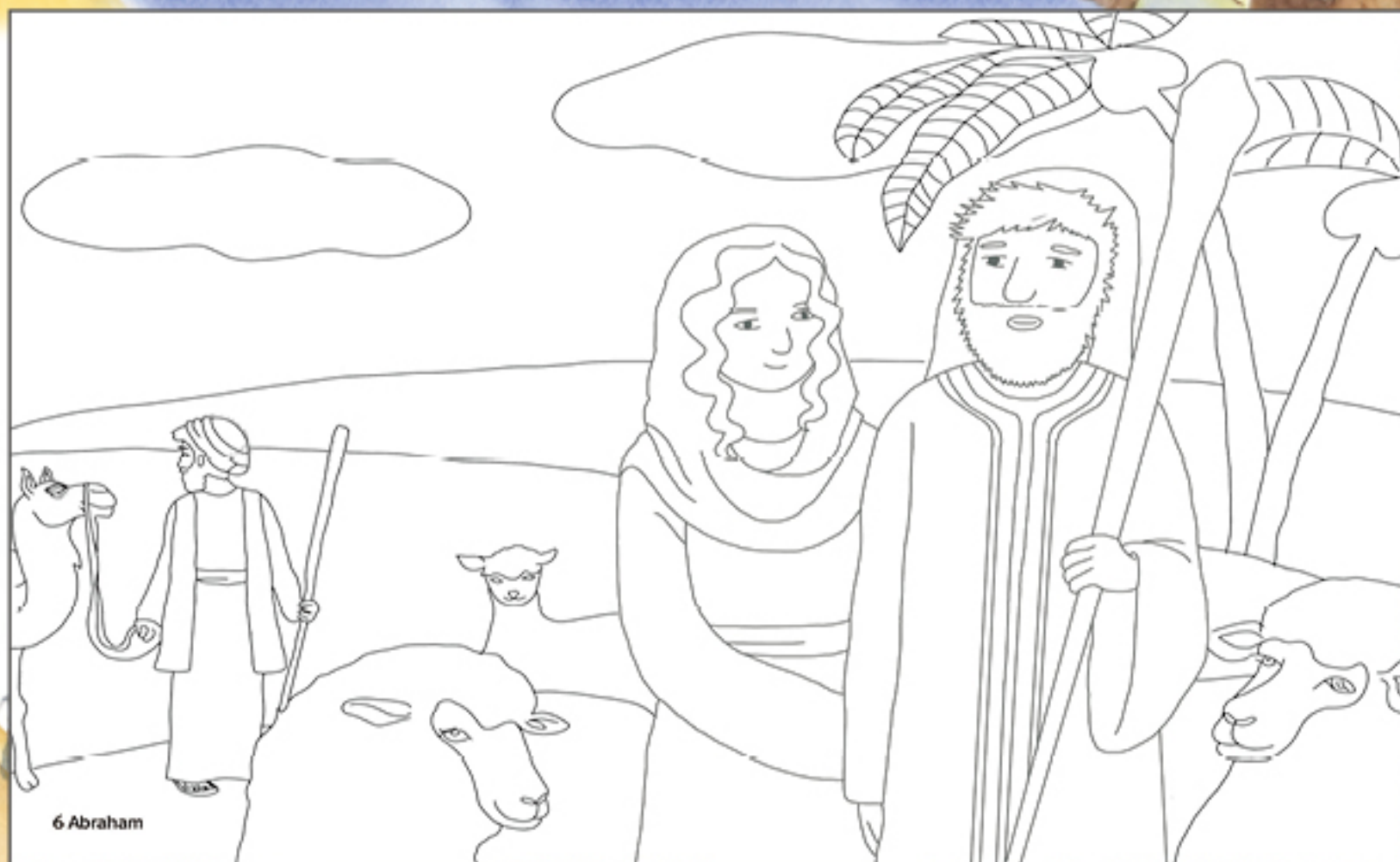
Abraham and Isaac gave their burnt offering of thanks to the Lord.

God saw Abraham's faith and blessed him abundantly.



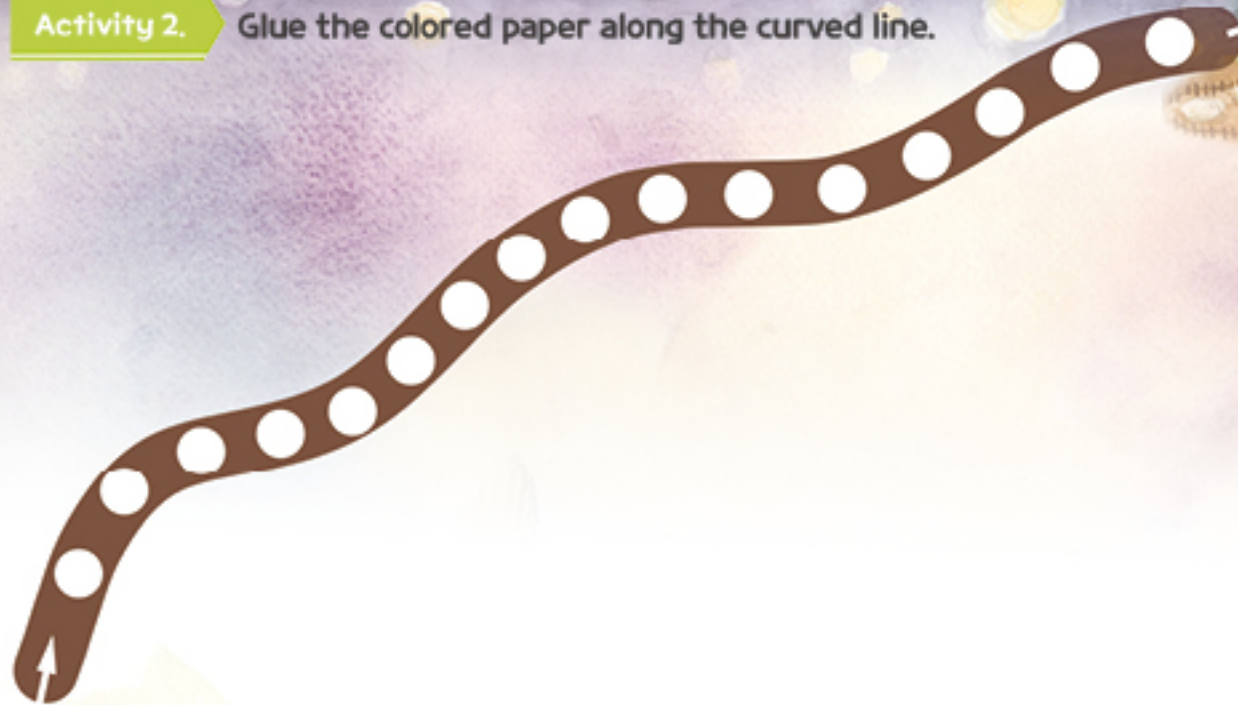
Activity 1.

Think about what we learned today, and color the picture below.



Activity 2.

Glue the colored paper along the curved line.



Trace and memorize the Bible verse. (Genesis 22:14)

"It will be provided on the mountain of the Lord."

