

# All Things Made New



Lesson 4

## Faithful Abraham

**Theme:** Faith—Trusting and obeying God

### Memory Verses:

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. And the earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep; and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters. Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light.”

Genesis 1:1-3

### Daily Bible Readings

- 1 Genesis 11:1-9
- 2 Genesis 11:27-32; 12:1-3
- 3 Genesis 12:4-9; James 2:23-24; Acts 7:2-4
- 4 Genesis 12:10-20
- 5 Hebrews 11:8-16

**G**od cleaned the world completely from sin in the days of Noah. Noah and his family stepped out of the ark into a perfect world. But it wasn't long before sin started again. Noah planted a vineyard and grew grapes. He took some of the grapes and made wine to drink. Noah drank enough wine to become drunk and uncovered

After this lesson you should be able to ...

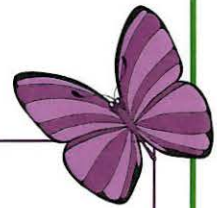
- Tell the story of the tower of Babel
- List the three promises God made to Abram
- Tell why Abraham was called the “friend of God”
- Describe the mistake Abraham and Sarah made
- Tell how big Abraham's family became

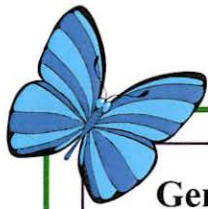
### Genesis 11:1-9

How many languages were spoken in the world before people started building a tower?

4            17            1            2

How did God stop the tower-building project?





**Genesis 11:27-32; 12:1-3**

Where did Abram and his family live before starting their journey toward Canaan?

*Underline all correct answers.* What three promises did God make to Abram?

- land            wealth            many descendants
- a great nation            no more floods

himself in his tent. Noah’s son Ham did not treat his father with respect. So, sin began again.

**Sin ... Again**

Noah’s family had many children, just as God wanted them to. After several years, many people lived on the earth again. All people spoke the same language and could live and work together. But instead of humbly serving God, people wanted to stay together and be great and

strong. They came up with a plan to build a tower that would reach into heaven.

The tower project was people’s plan to make themselves as important as God. But God came down and stopped their building. He knew the results of the project would be terrible, so God confused people’s language. This means that different people spoke different languages, and this made it impossible to work and live together. The tower project stopped, and people scattered to live in different places. God called the place “Babel.”

**God’s Call and Promise to Abram**

Have you ever moved from the place you were living to another place? You didn’t know many people. You didn’t know how to get around or where the stores were located. To leave our home and move to a strange place can be sad and scary.

Abram’s family left their home in Ur of the Chaldees and moved to Haran. When Terah, Abram’s father, died, God asked Abram to leave Haran and go to a place God would show him. God made three great promises to Abram – to give him a land, to give him many children, and to make his family a great nation. All this would make Abram’s name great and through him God would bless all people in the world.

Abram believed God and trusted Him. Abram took his wife Sarai, his nephew

**Genesis 12:4-9; James 2:23-24; Acts 7:2-4**

Who and what did Abram take when he left Haran to go to Canaan?

Because Abram believed God so that he obeyed God, he was called God’s \_\_\_\_\_.





### Genesis 12:10-20

Because Sarai was a beautiful woman, what did Abram tell her to do?

hide her face      lie      stay at home

What happened when she did what Abraham told her?

they stayed out of trouble  
they got into trouble

Lot, and all his belongings and set out for the land called Canaan. The Lord appeared to Abram and told him the land he saw around him would some day be his land.

At Shechem in the land of Canaan, Abram built an altar so he could honor God. Abram was a man with great faith to do what God said. Abram's faith was so deep and strong that he was called a friend of God (James 2:23-24)!

### Abram Makes a Mistake

There was a famine in the land of Canaan, and Abram took his family to Egypt. Abram's wife Sarai was a beautiful woman, and Abram was afraid the Egyptians would kill him so they could have her. Abram asked Sarai to lie and say she was his sister.

Pharaoh, the Egyptian king, took Sarai and prepared her to be his wife. God was not pleased. God struck Pharaoh's house with plagues. After a while, the Egyptians discovered that Sarai was Abram's wife. Pharaoh was angry and told Abram to take his wife and leave.

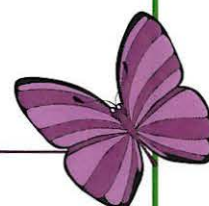
Abram was a man of faith, but he was not a perfect man. He obeyed and worshiped God, but Abram also made mistakes and needed God's help and forgiveness.

### Hebrews 11:8-16

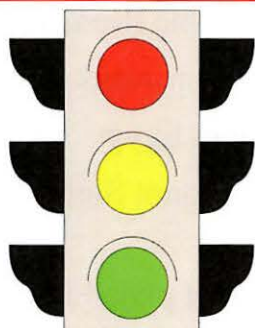
Abraham left his home and family, because he \_\_\_\_\_.

was perfect      had faith  
was angry

Describe how big Abraham's family became.



I trust God and try to obey Him.



Put an X in the light that best describes you.

**Red — usually not**

**Yellow — most of the time**

**Green — all the time**

# Think About It...

List four things that would have been frightening to you if you had been Abraham.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.



## Brush Up on Bible Facts

Which book in the Old Testament is about rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem?

Using numbers, put the major stages of Bible history in the proper order:

- \_\_\_ Wilderness Wanderings
- \_\_\_ Punished by Captivity
- \_\_\_ Promise to Abraham
- \_\_\_ Living in the Promised Land
- \_\_\_ Salvation in Jesus Christ
- \_\_\_ Slavery in Egypt
- \_\_\_ Law at Mount Sinai

On a map inside the back cover, with a pencil trace the route of the Exodus including Mount Sinai, the Wilderness wanderings, Moab, and Mount Nebo.