



RLA Kids Weekly Devotional Guide

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What We're Learning This Week

"GOD'S PROMISE TO ISAAC" GENESIS 25-26

God's covenant with Abraham continued to the next generation. Esau sold his birthright, giving Jacob the right to the wonderful blessings God promised to his father Abraham. Through Jacob's family, God would send the promised Savior to bring blessing and salvation to the world.

Questions to Ask, Conversation Starters, and Helping to Apply The Truths to Our Kids' Lives

Remember: this guide is meant to help facilitate conversations and engagement with Jesus throughout the week, so don't feel like you need to do this all in one day!

BEFORE WE MEET TOGETHER ON SUNDAY

- Continue conversations as a family regarding the lesson from last Sunday, where we learned that God provided Rebekah as a wife for Isaac as part of His covenant to bless the whole world through Abraham's family. One day, Jesus would be born into Abraham's family as the promised Savior. The guide from last week can be found [here](#).
- Read through Genesis 25-26, pray and ask God to reveal himself to you and for wisdom in how to best shepherd and disciple your kids through this Scripture in the next week.

AFTER WE MEET TOGETHER ON SUNDAY

Discipleship Through Scripture and Conversation

- Talk to your kids about the Bible story that they learned at church. Ask them to explain what they learned/what stuck out to them in the story, and expand upon the truths of the Bible that they are bringing up.
- Continue the conversation with your kids on Sunday and throughout the week. Some helpful conversations this week could be:
 1. Rebekah asked God why her twins were fighting so much during her pregnancy. The Lord told Rebekah part of His plan to make two separate nations through the sons.

- What was the significance of God saying that the older son would serve the younger son? What does it teach us about God and how He values people?
 - Why did Esau sell his birthright to Jacob, and why was this significant? How did the promises of God continue through this?
2. God is at work in each generation. He shows grace by extending the promise of Abraham to those who had no innate right to it and to those who did not deserve it.
- What are some of the promises God makes to people in Scripture? Take time and explore the faithfulness of God to uphold His promises throughout the Bible...if you are feeling extra motivated see if your family can find an example in all 66 books!

Discipleship through prayer

- Take time to pray together as a family.
 - Pray in gratitude for God's covenant-keeping love, and pray for the promises of God to take root deeply in the hearts of everyone in your family/other people you know.
- Ask each member of your family – adults included – to share one thing they would like prayer over. Have someone to pray for that person's request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.
- Take time to pray independently for your children, for God to do his mighty work in their hearts through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Discipleship through modeling/action

- Follow up throughout the week about the things you discussed
 - What promises of God have you seen in your daily lives? In the lives of others/the city around you?
- Pursue discipleship in your own life. Read Scripture, pray fervently, invest into community, and more. Model the ways of Christ as an example to your kids.

Our Memory Verse for This Unit

OUR MEMORY VERSE FOR THIS UNIT (ENTITLED “GOD FORMED A NEW NATION”) IS GALATIANS 3:29

- For our older kids we are doing the full verse:
 - “If you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to promise.”
- For our younger kids we are doing an abbreviated version of the verse:
 - “If you are Christ’s, then you are Abraham’s offspring.”

While we are helping the kids engage with this Scripture on Sundays through fun activities and time together, we really encourage you to take time to continue to engage with the memorization of this Scripture at home. As always, the hope is not to have our kids simply know a lot of Scripture, but to engage in God's Word and allow Him to use it to transform the hearts of our kids!

What's Coming Up?

- Stay connected by joining the [RLA Kids page on RLA Connect](#)
- Want weekly updates and occasional texts about special announcements? Text the word "Kids" to 323.859.1122. It really helps in preparing for Sunday and the rest of the week!

We Want to Know and Serve You Better!

We love hearing from you! You can email kids@realityla.com at any time with any thoughts, questions, or concerns. We also love to be praying with and alongside you, so please send those over as well.