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GREAT NATION

FOCUS

GENESIS 12:2-23:17

Abram's foundation. Abraham was told by God that he would become a great nation. Abraham would learn the boundaries of the nation. And most importantly he had to have a child to inherit the promised land.

MATERIALS

Abram picture

Abraham's Promise coloring page (1 per child)

Great Nation coloring page (1 per child)

1 large Melissa and Doug red brick or equal size box

People coloring page (1 group per child)

Black construction paper and yellow paint (1 per child)

Kinetic sand (at least a handful, regular sand is OK too)

Do you see the stars Abram? song (1 per parent)

Boy wooden doll (1 per child)

Compass drawing page (1 per child)

Israel coloring page (1 per child)

Sheet of brown or white craft paper and sheet of green construction paper (1 per child)

Crayons, safety scissors, glue, stapler and paint

ACTIVITIES

1. INTRODUCTION

TALK: Remind children of last class. How Abram left his home to live in the land God called him to. He had no children and still lived in a tent, but he remained in Canaan.

ACTIVITY: Show children the Abram picture and hang nearby for them to see.

2. ABRAHAM'S PROMISE COLORING PAGE

TALK: When God told Abram to leave his country he promised him four things. That he will be a great nation, that he will have a great name, that he will bless those who bless him and that he will bless the world.

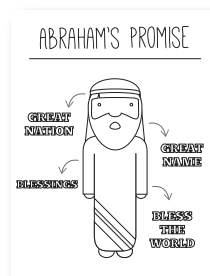
ACTIVITY: Color Abraham's Promise coloring page.

CORRESPONDING VERSE



"I WILL MAKE YOU INTO A GREAT NATION, AND I WILL BLESS YOU; I WILL MAKE YOUR NAME GREAT, AND YOU WILL BE A BLESSING. I WILL BLESS THOSE WHO BLESS YOU, AND WHOEVER CURSES YOU I WILL CURSE; AND ALL PEOPLES ON EARTH WILL BE BLESSED THROUGH YOU."

GENESIS 12:2-3



ACTIVITIES

3. FOUNDATIONAL BRICK: GREAT NATION

TALK: Abraham having a great nation was one of his foundational promises. Explain what a nation is. How it has set boundaries, and how it is filled with people. Abraham's promised nation would one day be filled with his descendent's because he was faithful.

ACTIVITY: Precut "Great Nation" so each child has one. Let them color the words then glue or tape onto the red brick/box.



CORRESPONDING VERSE

SAME AS ACTIVITY 2

4. ABRAHAM'S DESCENDANTS COLORING PAGE

TALK: Abram was promised a nation of people but he had no children. He had to trust God to give him a child.

ACTIVITY: Have children color the group of people. This coloring will be used for another activity later.



"WHAT CAN YOU GIVE ME SINCE I REMAIN CHILDLESS?"

GENESIS 15:2

5. THE PROMISED SON

TALK: Abram had his promised son Isaac when he was 100 years old. He had to wait over 25 years for his promise of having a child with his wife Sarah to be fulfilled. But he knew God was faithful and trusted him to make it happen!

ACTIVITY: Paint the boy wooden doll and put sticky googly eyes on his face.



"YES, BUT YOUR WIFE SARAH WILL BEAR YOU A SON, AND YOU WILL CALL HIM ISAAC."

GENESIS 17:19

6. PAINT THE STARS

TALK: Abram was promised to have a great nation, but only had one child. He trusted God to fulfill his promise, even if it would not happen during his lifetime.

ACTIVITY: Let kids paint stars onto black construction paper.

BONUS: Sing "Do you see the stars Abram?" song while children are coloring. Handout one to each adult so they can sing along too.

Let kids see and play with Kinetic sand. So they can see how it is impossible to count the individual grains.

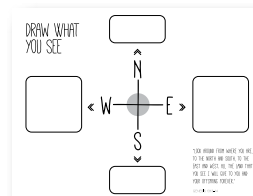
"I WILL SURELY BLESS YOU AND MAKE YOUR DESCENDANTS AS NUMEROUS AS THE STARS IN THE SKY AND AS THE SAND ON THE SEASHORE."

GENESIS 22:17

7. COMPASS DRAWING PAGE

TALK: God told Abram to look all around and see the land he was giving him. He had to look in all directions: north, south, east and west.

ACTIVITY: Give each child a writing utensil and have them choose a spot outside. Have them draw what they see in each direction.



"LOOK AROUND FROM WHERE YOU ARE, TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH, TO THE EAST AND WEST. ALL THE LAND THAT YOU SEE I WILL GIVE TO YOU AND YOUR OFFSPRING FOREVER."

GENESIS 13:14

ACTIVITIES

8. ISRAEL COLORING PAGE

TALK: The land God gave Abram was Israel.

ACTIVITY: Have children color Israel then glue their group of people from activity 3 onto Israel.



CORRESPONDING VERSE

SAME AS ACTIVITY 7

9. CAVE

TALK: Abram did not worry about how God would give him Israel as his inheritance. He just wanted to make sure that he was buried in the land that God had given him.

ACTIVITY: Crumple and shape brown or white craft paper to look like a cave. Have children staple onto green construction paper.



“SO EPHRON'S FIELD IN MACHPELAH NEAR MAMRE— BOTH THE FIELD AND THE CAVE IN IT, AND ALL THE TREES WITHIN THE BORDERS OF THE FIELD—WAS DEEDED TO ABRAHAM AS HIS PROPERTY.”

GENESIS 23:17

OPTIONAL: Hand out each child a bible verse to take home.

I WILL MAKE YOU
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GENESIS 12:2

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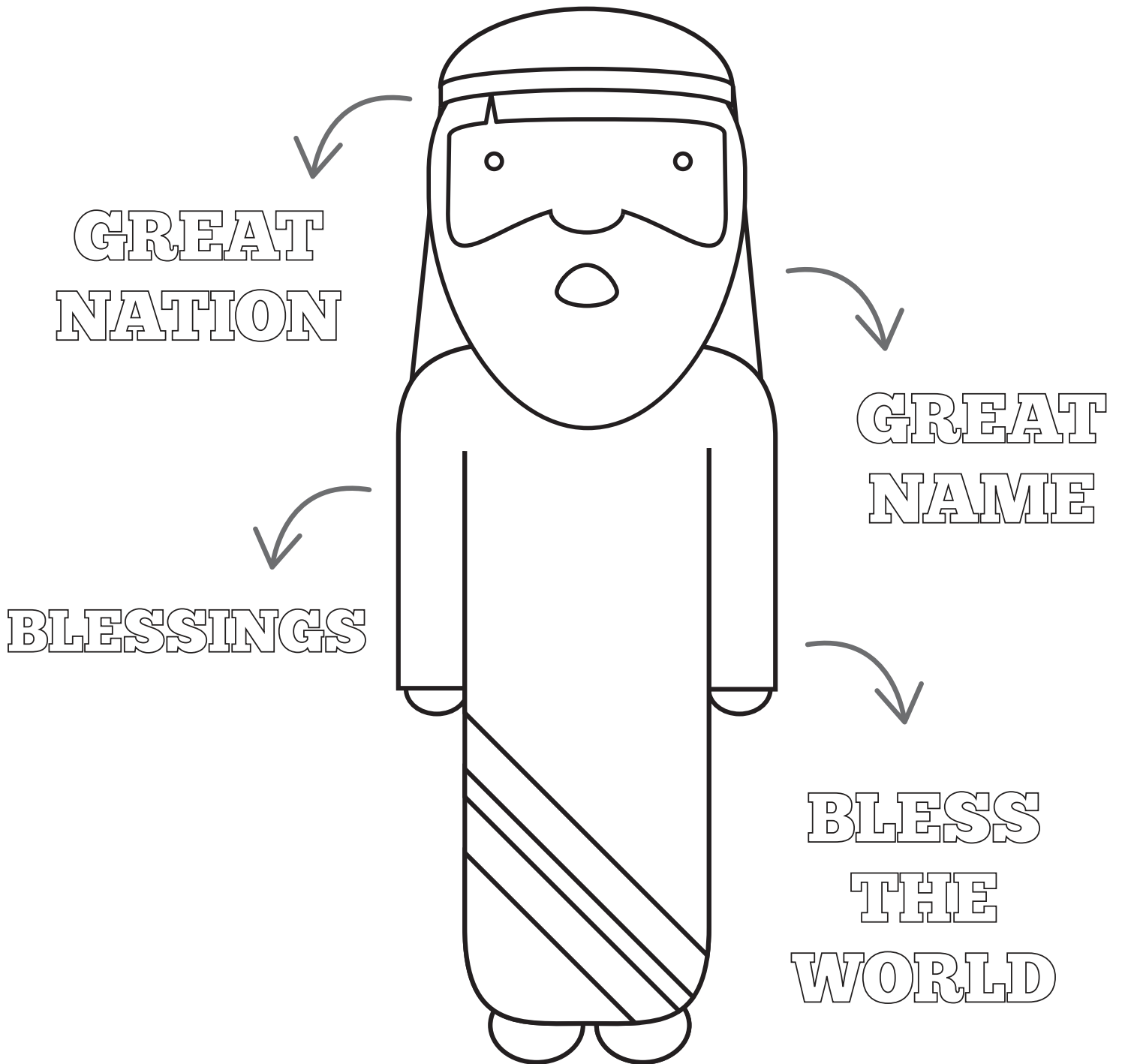
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ABRAHAM'S PROMISE



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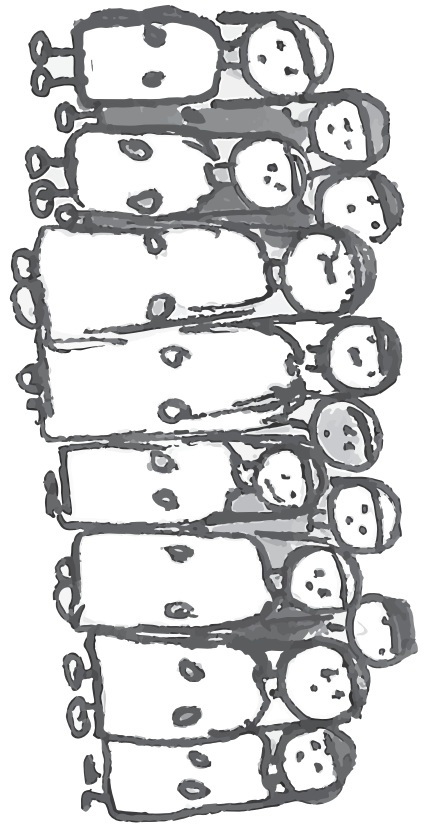
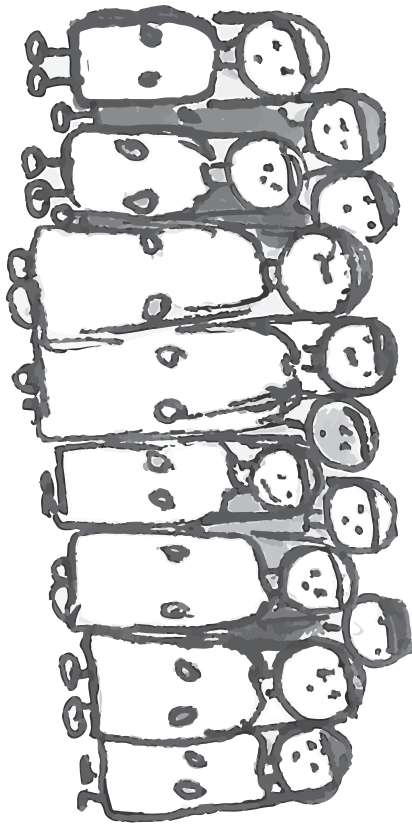
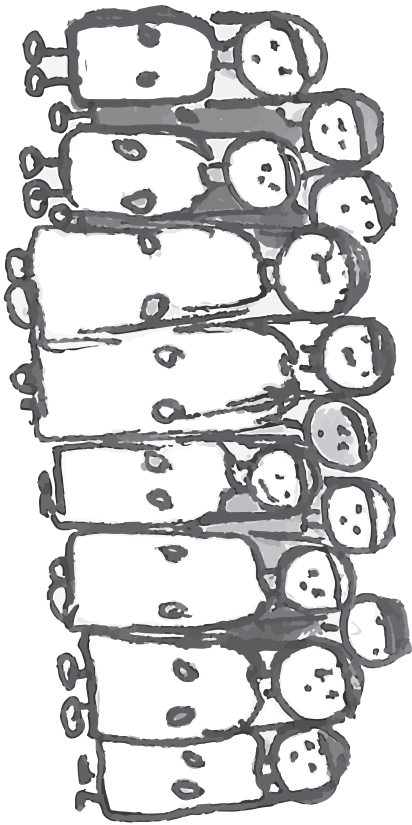
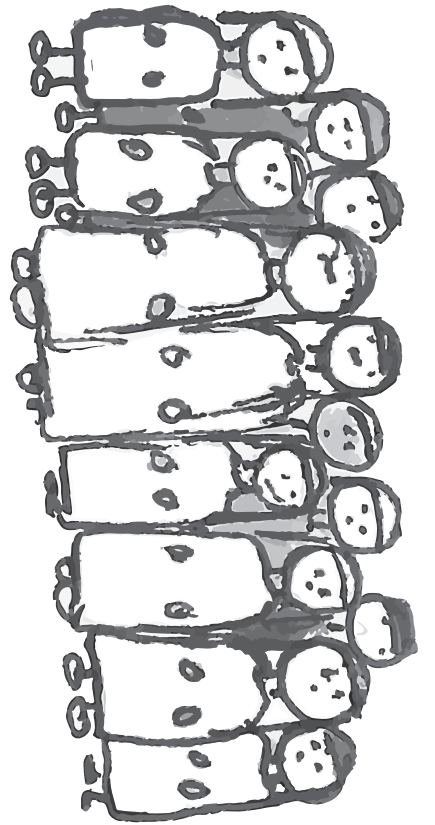
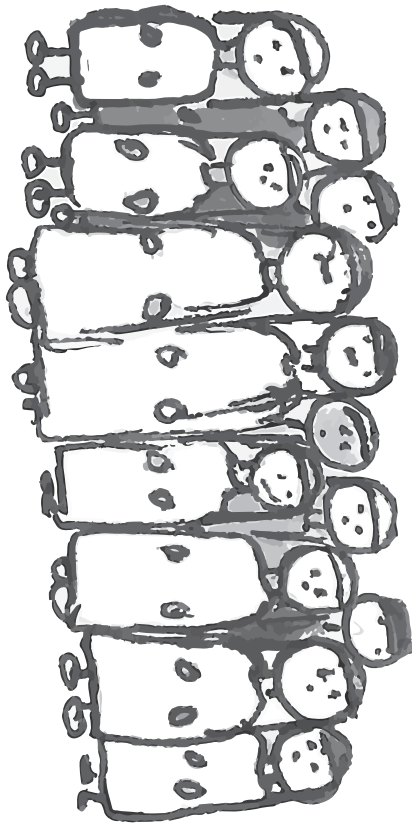
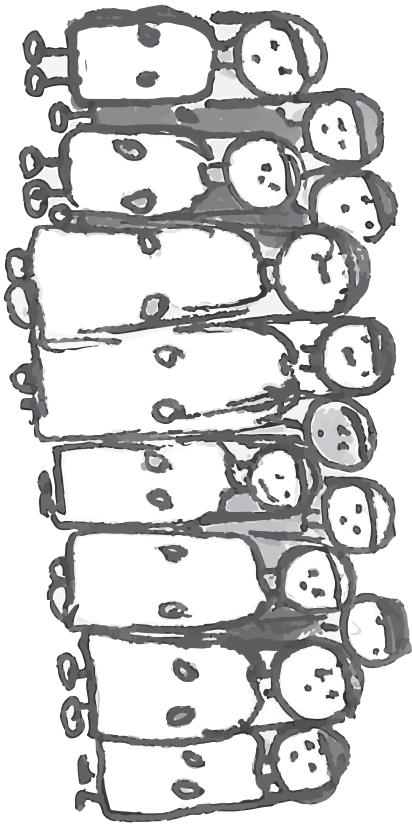
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DO YOU SEE THE STARS ABRAM?

Do you see the stars Abram

They shine so brightly

Do you see the stars Abram

They shine so brightly

Can you count the stars Abram

There are so many

Can you count the stars Abram

There are so many

Your children outshine the stars Abram

They shine so brightly

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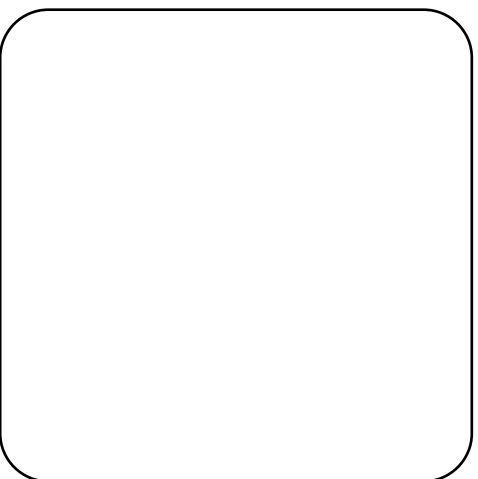
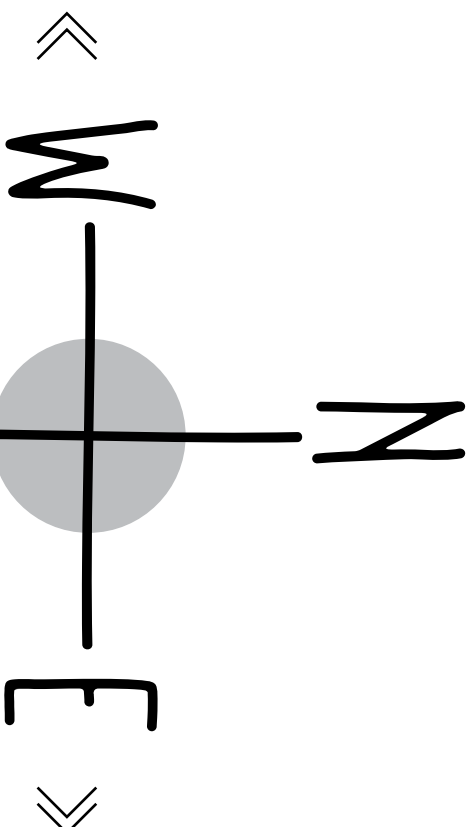
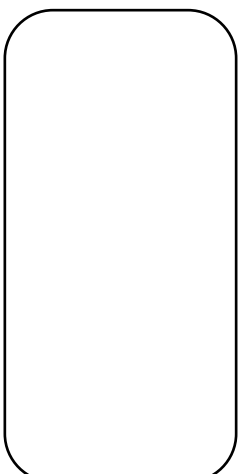
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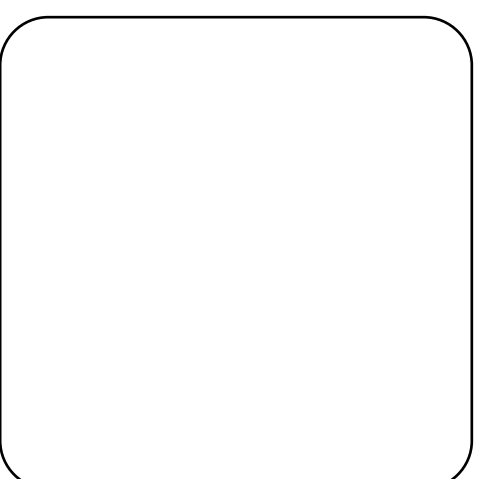
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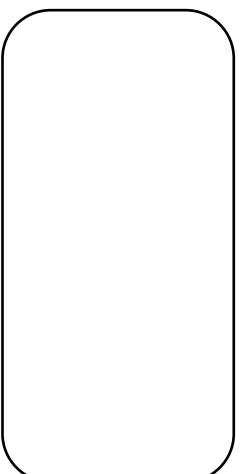


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