

At Home Weekly is designed for you to use during the week with your son or daughter. You'll find out what they learned today at church, and you can help them prepare for next week by exploring the theme (or Ponder Point) and spending time together in God's Word.

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS WEEK

PONDER POINT: GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES

Abraham Trusts the Covenant

Genesis 12:1–9; 15; 17:1–8

God promised to give Abraham many descendants. Abraham trusted God to keep His promises.

WHERE WE'RE HEADED NEXT TIME

PONDER POINT: GOD IS POWERFUL

Isaac's Birth

Genesis 17:15–22; 21:1–7

God is powerful, and He gave Abraham a son in his old age.

DID YOU KNOW?

Share these facts to get the conversation started.

- In the first verse of Genesis 17, just before He reaffirms His covenant with Abraham, God reveals Himself as *El Shaddai*, which translates to God Almighty.
- Using this name, God was informing Abraham of His ultimate power; He alone is God. Promising him a child at the age of 100 would not be beyond His ability.
- God's covenant with Abraham led to the starting point for the family line of Jesus, paving the way to our own salvation.

CONNECT AS A FAMILY

Gather together in your child's bedroom. Read the biblical account of Abraham and the birth of Isaac in **Genesis 17:15–19 and 21:1–7**. After reading, ask your child what he thought when he heard God promise a 100-year-old man that he and his wife would have a baby (like his great-grandparents having a baby!). Let your child know that God has the power to do anything.

After reading the Scripture passage, discuss these questions together:

- Has anyone ever made a promise to you?
- What are some of the promises God has made to us?
- How do we know that God is powerful?

These questions can easily extend into the rest of the week. Look for opportunities to bring conversations about how God Is Powerful into your everyday life as a family.

REMEMBER VERSE

The Remember Verse focuses on a character trait of God that's highlighted in next week's portion of The Big God Story.

**The LORD is trustworthy in all he promises
and faithful in all he does.**

Psalm 145:13b

BLESSING

Blessings are often used in the Bible. A blessing can be a prayer of commission, a portion of Scripture, or words to encourage and guide.

A blessing to pray over your child:

(Child's name), **may you go forward this week being thankful that God has the power to make us all a part of His great big family.**

For more information about blessing your child, go to trumistry.com to the Parenting tab. And for more creative ideas on spiritually leading your family, visit HomeFrontMag.com.