**Kids Church 29th August**

Opening questions/discussion:

* Have you ever been promised something that took ages to get?
* Maybe a special toy or a visit with your best friend.
* How did you feel while you were waiting?
* How did you feel when your promise was finally fulfilled?

This week, we are going to learn how God fulfilled his promise to Abraham and gave him a son.

Read Gen 21:1-7

* How old is Abraham when his and Sarah’s son is finally born? (100)
* Why does God make Abraham and Sarah wait so long? (God wants to show that Isaac is a special work of God, so he waits till Sarah is far too old to have children)
* What special blessing does God bring through the far off grandchildren of Isaac? (Jesus is born through the family line of Isaac)
* God kept his promise to Abraham. How can this encourage us as we try to trust God for the things that we need? (We can believe that God will keep his promises to us, too, no matter what happens)

Connect to Jesus:

How does this story connect to Jesus? Well God wants all of our boasting to be about what God does for us, not what we do for ourselves. God wants us to give him the glory and praise for the blessings in our lives and not act like we brought them on ourselves.

Read 1 Corinth 1:28-31

* What does this passage mean when it says that God chose the low and despised things? (God likes to choose the weak things so that he can show his strength)
* How does God choosing the low and despised fit into the story of Abraham and Sarah? (Since Abraham and Sarah had failed to have children, people would have looked down on them. Because they were too old to have children, their child would be a clear sign of God’s work. God alone would get the credit)
* What is boasting? (When we boast, we are prideful and find our happiness in the things we have done)
* Does God save us because we are good? (No. Our salvation comes completely by grace. It is not based on our works at all)

Pray:

* Ask God to help us trust him.
* Thank God for his faithfulness in fulfilling all his promises.
* Pray that our boasting will be in the Lord, not in the things that we have done.

Links to printable colouring in pages/craft ideas:

Colouring in

<https://www.inmyworld.com.au/sunday-school-isaac-son-promise/>

Star shaped baby craft

<https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/211809988698971001/>

Word search

<https://sundayschoolzone.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/abraham_had_a_son_word_search.pdf>