

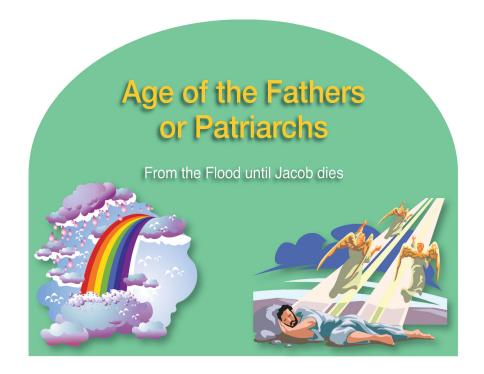
Christian Teaching Material for Children Part 3

"After the Flood"

Booklet A

(Suitable for ages 4-8)

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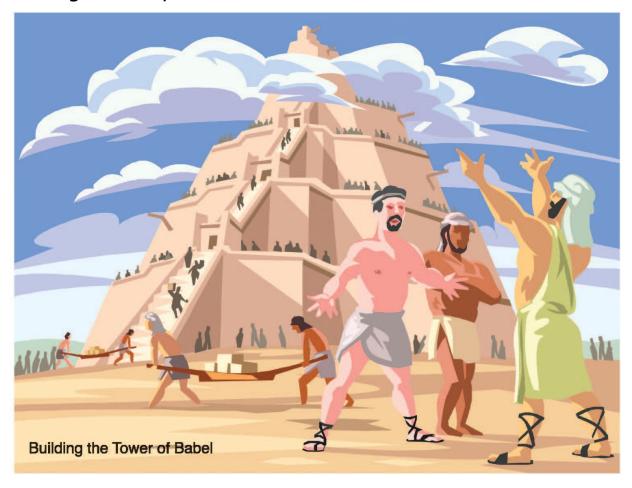
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The Tower of Babel

After the big flood, Noah and his family built houses and lived on the land. Their children and grandchildren moved to different parts of the land.

Many years later, the people decided to build a very big tower. They wanted to feel very important. They wanted their tower to be the biggest and best in the whole world, so that everyone would see how special they were. They had forgotten about God, and that he is the most important.

God was not happy with the people, so he caused them all to speak different languages. They could not understand each other. They had to move away from the tower, because they could not work together any more.



Activity:

In small groups or pairs, use whatever you can find to build the tallest tower you can make. Your teacher will set a time limit.

God's Promise to Abraham

Some years later, God chose a special man called Abraham to be his friend. Abraham loved God and spoke to him.

God told Abraham that he and his wife Sarah would have a child. Abraham and Sarah waited a long time. When they were very old, they still did not have any children.

But God kept his promise. When Abraham and Sarah were nearly 100 years old, they had a baby boy. They named him Isaac.

God promised Abraham that he would have as many children and grandchildren and great grandchildren as the number of stars in the sky.

How many stars do you think there are in the sky? Draw some stars in the picture.

God Tests Abraham

Abraham loved his son Isaac very much. Isaac was Abraham's only child. He grew up strong and healthy and learnt about God and the promises he had made to his father Abraham.

One day, God called to Abraham. "Abraham, I want you to take Isaac and travel to a mountain. You are to offer him as a gift to me. You are to take his life."

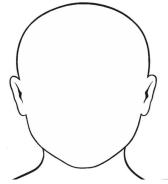
Abraham could not believe what he was hearing. His son! The one he and Sarah had waited for. How could this be? With a sad heart and not knowing why, Abraham did as God had said.

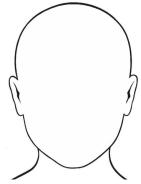


He took his son to a mountain and prepared to offer him as a sacrifice to God. God stopped Abraham just in time. Isaac was saved.

God knew that Abraham had passed the hardest test anyone could ever be given. God was pleased with Abraham and promised him many blessings.

How do you think Isaac felt? How do you think Abraham felt? Draw their faces to show how they might have been feeling.





Draw lines to match these words to the correct image.

Abraham



Isaac



Sarah



mountain



wood



ram



Jacob and Esau

Isaac grew up and married a woman named Rebekah. They had twin sons called Esau and Jacob. Esau was born first, so he was the eldest brother. That meant he would be given everything that his parents owned after they died.

But one day, when Esau came home feeling tired and hungry, he asked Jacob for some of the stew he was making. Jacob traded the stew for Esau's inheritance as the eldest brother. That meant Jacob would get everything his parents owned, instead of Esau.

Esau was a hunter and the Bible describes him as red and hairy. Jacob preferred to stay home and was good at cooking. Colour in the picture of the two brothers.



Many years later, Esau and Jacob met again. Jacob was afraid that Esau would still be angry with him. But when Esau saw Jacob coming, he ran towards him and hugged him. Esau forgave his brother. They both cried with happiness.

Help Jacob find his way back to Esau on the maze.

