

Isaac and Rebekah: Lesson 2

SuperTruth: God hears my prayers.

SuperVerse: *Because He bends down to listen, I will pray as long as I have breath!* Psalm 116:2 (NLT)

Bible Story: Genesis 23–24

Game Materials Needed:

- Two large water containers which will serve as “wells,” such as 5-gallon buckets, clean plastic trash cans, or cooking pots
- Water: about 2 gallons
- Two plastic cups that a hole can be punched in
- String: 8 feet
- Two “camel troughs,” such as wallpaper trays, metal cake pans or plastic plant containers, etc. rectangular
- Towels: about six to place underneath containers
- Scissors, knife, or power drill to make holes in cups
- Sixth grade helpers or other volunteers to dip cups into water and wipe up spills
- Timer, such as a stopwatch, clock, or timer app

Teaching Materials Needed:

- Cell phone
- Two volunteers
- Cardboard box, medium size
- Permanent marker
- Whiteboard and marker; or chalkboard and chalk
- Discipleship Challenge craft materials for children who missed Lesson 1: patterns for Wisdom Chest with Coins, and Choices Cube with Scene Cards. Model crafts from Lesson 1. See Lesson 1 for details
- Bible or the Superbook Bible App

SuperVerse Materials Needed:

- Whiteboard and marker; or chalkboard and chalk
- Eraser
- Bible or the Superbook

Prayer Materials Needed:

- Whiteboard and marker; or chalkboard and chalk
- Bibles or the Superbook Bible App

LARGE GROUP / GRADES 1–6

Abraham trusted God to find a wife for his son, Isaac. Abraham prayed that God would send an angel to lead his servant Eliezer on the journey. Eliezer prayed for wisdom, and God heard his prayer.

- Superbook takes Chris, Joy and Gizmo to ancient Hebron. There, Abraham tells his servant Eliezer how to find a wife for his son, Isaac. Eliezer travels to a faraway land and finds the right woman—Rebekah—through obedience and prayer. The children discover that following God’s plan is always best.
- Watch the Bible Background Video and learn more about where and when the patriarchs lived.

SMALL GROUP / GRADES 1–6

Game: Thirsty Camels (15 minutes)

Objective: *Play a relay game to fill the camels’ trough with water.*

- Rebekah humbly did all the hard work by herself to lift the jugs of water and carry them to the trough. Today, you have an easier, yet still important job to do. Your task is to water Eliezer’s thirsty camels! You will work in pairs to dip the cup into the well to fill the “trough.”

Game Instructions:

- A pair of children from each team will dip their cup into the water, using their hands a little to submerge the cup to gather water. The pair carefully holds the cup only by the strings and walks to their team’s “camel trough” to carefully dump the water.

Teaching: God Hears and Answers (15 minutes)

Objective: *Discuss how God responds to prayer.*

- Eliezer did not rely on his own instincts or wisdom to select the right wife. His plan was to pray and ask God to direct him and give him wisdom. Eliezer committed his actions to God first so he could succeed.

Take Home Activity—Discipleship Challenge (2 minutes)

- The challenge is to read the scenes 3 and 4 on the Scenes Card with your family, and use the Choices Cube to discuss different ways you could respond to that particular scene. Then find the Scripture Coin with the same number as the scene, to find God’s wisdom for that scene.

SuperVerse: Superbook Bend and Breathe! (5 minutes)

Objective: *Memorize the SuperVerse with a group activity.*

- God doesn’t need to bend down to hear our prayers. He hears and sees everything on Earth. This verse assures us that God is always ready to listen and respond to our prayers.
- Now, to learn our verse, we are going to add some motions as we say the SuperVerse together. Say the verse and do the motions for children to follow.

Prayer: Unfailing Prayers (5 minutes)

Objective: *Communicate with God.*

- We are in God’s presence today, just like the Bible verses say. Without fail, God hears every word, every cry, every whisper, and even our silent thoughts! What would you like to say to God?
- You can thank Him for what He has already done because He has been good to you! You can ask Him for help with something you are facing. Do you need God’s forgiveness and grace for something you have done? Or maybe you just need to feel His love. Whatever you need, God is present and listening today! Allow children time to pray silently, then close in prayer.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES (REFER TO THE LESSON GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS)

Ring Toss Game: Play a game to give Eliezer’s gifts to Rebekah’s family. | **Grades 1–6** | 10 min

Hearing Game: Play a game about hearing requests. | **Grades 1–6** | 10 min

Matching Activity: Play a matching game with images from the video. | **Grades 1–3** | 15 min

Bible Study: Discuss verses about God hearing prayers. | **Grades 4–6** | 15 min