

God Calls Abram (Abraham) - Genesis 12-13

- I wonder how Abram (Abraham) felt when God told him to leave his home and go to a new land?
- I wonder how Abram (Abraham) knew God was with him?
- I wonder what Abram (Abraham) thought when God said his descendants would be as many as the stars in the sky, the dust of the earth and the grains of sand on the seashore?
- I wonder what are some promises God has made to me?

Stars in the Sky

God promised Abraham he would have many family members- even more than the stars in the sky! Help your child use a sharpened pencil to carefully punch holes in the bottom of a shoe box. As you work together, talk about the special members in your family. See if you can name a different family member for each hole you punch in the box. Go into a dark room and turn off the lights. Show your child how to shine a flashlight into the box so the light shines through the holes- like a starry night sky. Imagine being Abraham and hearing God's promise that his descendants will be as many as the stars in the sky.

Can You Count the Sand?

Sit outside in your sandbox or with a tub of sand (or dirt). Dig your toes and fingers into the sand. What does the sand feel like? What does it look like?

Put a small pinch of sand into your hand. Try to count each grain of sand. Why is it so hard to count? Can you count all the grains of sand in your tub? How many do you think there are? What about on a beach? What do you think Abraham thought when God said his family would be as numerous as the sands on the seashore?