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A Bride for Isaac

Theme: God gives Isaac a wife

Object: A Cinderella book

Scripture: Genesis 24:67

Has anyone here ever heard the story of Cinderella? It is a beautiful fairy tale about poor Cinderella who went to a ball at the royal palace of the Prince. Cinderella was the most beautiful one at the ball and, when the Prince saw her, it was love at first sight. (Have all the kids go “AHHHH.”)

But then things took a turn for the worse. At midnight, Cinderella's beautiful dress turned back into her dirty work dress and she ran from the ball so that the prince would not see her. As she ran, one of her glass slippers came off and was left behind. (Have all the kids take off a shoe.) The Prince searched the entire country to find the one who could fit into that glass slipper. You know what happened! He found Cinderella and the slipper fit (Have all the kids put their shoe back on.) The Prince and Cinderella married and lived happily ever after. What a beautiful love story. (Invite all the kids to clap.)

Today, I want to tell you another beautiful love story. It's the story of Isaac and Rebekah. (Invite kids to repeat the names Isaac and Rebekah.)

You may remember that Isaac was the son of Abraham. When Isaac had grown up, it was time for him to get married. Abraham wanted Isaac to marry someone from his homeland, but he did not want Isaac to leave the place where they were living. So Abraham decided to send one of his servants to find a wife for Isaac and bring her back to him. (Have all the kids say, “Go, find a

wife!")

The servant was happy to help his master, but he was not sure how he would know which girl was the right one for Isaac. He took 10 camels and lots of gifts for the new bride and began a long journey. As he walked, he prayed that God would help him to know how to find the right wife for Isaac. (Invite kids to make a walking sound on the floor with their feet or hands.)

When the servant reached Abraham's homeland, he saw a well. That gave him an idea! He prayed that God would send the girl who was to be Isaac's wife to the well to get water. The servant would ask her for a drink. If the girl gave him a drink and then offered to give a drink of water to his camels without even being asked, he would know she was the one that God wanted to be Isaac's wife. (Lead kids in making drinking noises.)

As the servant sat by the well, a girl came to the well. The servant asked her for a drink and she happily got him a drink. Then she looked around and saw his camels nearby and offered to give water to his camels, too! It happened exactly as he had asked of God!! (Have kids repeat "Hooray!" after you.)

The servant gave her beautiful jewelry. He asked her who her father was and asked if he and his camels could spend the night at her house. She took the servant back to her home where he met her brother Laban. When they learned that Abraham had sent the servant to find a wife for Isaac, and that the Lord had shown him that Rebekah was the special woman that God had chosen for Isaac, they were so happy. (Ask kids to make their happiest face.)

They left the camels and gifts with Laban and headed for Isaac's home. When Rebekah saw Isaac in the distance, she was so excited. When Isaac saw Rebekah, it was love at first sight. They got married right away. And Isaac loved Rebekah very much! (Have kids all cheer in unison.)

Dear God, We are so thankful that you provide for our needs. Help us to trust you to give us what we need. In Jesus' name, amen.

A Bride for Isaac Group Activities

Sermon Title: ["A Bride for Isaac"](#)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 24:1-67

Sing a Song; or say it with the actions;

My God is so great. (stretch out both arms)

So strong and so mighty. (Show your arm muscles!)

There's nothing that He cannot do. (shake your head and finger back and forth)

(repeat)

The mountains are His. (raise your arms and join fingers above your head)

The valleys are His. (reverse this action and point your hands downwards)

The stars are His handiwork too. (wiggle your fingers all around your head)

My God is so great (repeat actions above)

So strong and so mighty

There's nothing that He cannot do

For you and you and you and me.

TENT TIME:

Let children cover a table with sheets or blankets and have part of their class under the table in the new TENT. Talk about today's lesson and children can quote Bible verses about God's love and caring for them, or have someone come to the classroom as Rebecca or Isaac to tell the story under the TENT.

WELL RELAY:

Divide the children into teams and play a relay, as children run to a table, drink a dixie cup of juice or water and run back to the next player. Continue to play until all the

children have had a chance to play.

TENT BUILDING:

Give children supplies to build a tent. Supplies will be craft (popsicle) sticks (longer thin coffee stir sticks work better.) Tie or glue together at the top in a teepee type of tent and cover with their choice of a piece of colorful cloth. (could be an old face cloth) Small mini twigs and be glued together and a little wadded up piece of yellow or orange tissue paper stuck in the twig pile to represent a little campfire outside their tent. Let children talk about today's story and God's provisions for us as well.

BIBLE TIME:

Children can have a Bible Sword drill, using verses that will encourage children to know that GOD cares for them and watches over everything they do. Children will hold their Bibles up when saying "Swords Up".. give the scripture for the children too look and children will repeat the scripture and then say, CHARGE and children will look up scripture and then stand to read the verse. If children are little, they can find a word around the room that the teacher tells them to look for, that will have something to say about GOD's love for us always.

HEAD BANDS:

Provide children with long strip of colorful paper, to write GOD PROVIDES, or GOD LOVES ME, or other words from today's Bible lesson and decorate with glitter or stickers, and then children can wrap the strip of paper around their forehead and tape the ends together.

WRIST BANDS:

Children can be given shorter strips of paper to write GOD HELPS US... adding stickers and then tape around the wrist. If children would like to draw eyes or add craft moving eyes to their wrist bands, they could then write GOD WATCHES OUT FOR ME!

BUBBLE TIME:

Let children blow bubbles outside and pop all the bubbles they can reach. Every time they pop a bubble, they can shout out ideas of how GOD shows His love for them and provides all that they need.

(Eg. Love, food air, trees, Mommy, Grandma, Daddy, friends, water, rain, flowers etc)

FACE PAINTING:

Children can take turns face painting a happy face or a heart or a cross on each other's face cheeks or the back of their hands and talk about GOD's Love for us. If weather is warm and children would like to take off their shoes outside, the children could paint a symbol on each other's feet if desired. Rocks could also be painted.

SHAPES BUILDING:

Give children many different cut out shapes of various colors of construction paper. Each child can receive a piece of construction paper to use the shapes in forming a man and woman, Isaac and Rebecca, from our story. Have some lace material for children to use on Rebecca as the bride. Children can write words from today's Bible verse or our lesson today, to remember how GOD provided. Felt material, craft eyes, etc can be given to children as they do their Isaac and Rebecca SHAPE BUILDING.

SHARE A SNACK:

Share a snack with the children that they can eat under their table TENT that was used during the lesson! Small boxes of M&M's or Raisinettes or cookies or trail mix would be a fun snack IN their tent! If a microwave is available to melt a marshmallow, then children could put a warmed marshmallow, piece of chocolate bar in between 2 graham crackers and have a tent s'more!

A Bride for Isaac

Isaac brought her into the tent of his mother Sarah, and he married Rebekah. So she became his wife, and he loved her.
Genesis 24:67



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L J H Q P L U F R Z L N Y K M
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FAMILY	WIFE	MARRIED	CAMELS	SERVANT
DRINK	ABRAHAM	WEALTHY	SPRING	MAIDEN
WATER	SON	CHOSEN	ISAAC	REBEKAH

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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



A	G	C	W	L	B	P	F	Q	S	R	O	V	T	K	H	J	X	N	M	I	E	D	Y	Z	U
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

1. 10-22-11-13-1-19-14 _____

2. 10-12-19 _____

3. 4-21-8-22 _____

4. 8-1-20-21-5-24 _____

5. 23-11-21-19-15 _____

6. 4-1-14-22-11 _____

7. 3-1-20-22-5-10 _____

8. 20-1-11-11-21-22-23 _____

SON	WIFE	MARRIED	FAMILY
WATER	SERVANT	CAMELS	DRINK





Isaac Marries Rebekah