

VICTORY KIDS ELEMENTARY

THEME: Wild West Faith

"ACCEPT MY WORK AND LEARN FROM ME. I AM GENTLE AND HUMBLE IN SPIRIT. AND YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS." MATTHEW 11:29 (ICB)

AFTER WORSHIP:

BIBLE PRESENTATION:

Live Host:

"Alright Victory Kids — now I need everyone's attention, because this moment is super special!" (Pauses for effect) "Here at Victory Kids, we love when friends come to visit... but we REALLY love when they come back again... and again... and again!" (Smiles big)

"So today, if this is your third time hanging out with us here at Victory Kids, we've got something AWESOME just for you!" "If that's you — go ahead and raise your hand nice and high so our team can spot you. Come to the stage because we want to celebrate you BIG TIME!" We have something really special that we want to give you..." (Team members hand out Bibles) "A brand-new Bible just for YOU! Because we believe God's Word is the best gift ever — it's full of hope, adventure, truth, and it reminds us every day who we are and how much God loves us!"

Can we clap it up and make some noise for our third-time friends getting their Bibles today?!" (Claps hands, and waits for applause, celebrates big). And if you're sitting there thinking, 'Hey, I want a Bible like that!' — no worries! Keep coming, keep learning, and we'll have something for you too!"

CONNECT: CHECK IN / PRE SERVICE GAMES

10 MINS

THIS IS OPTIONAL, IF IT ISN'T NEEDED. PLEASE FEEL FREE NOT TO USE IT)

Pre Service Game Stations: As students are being checked in, use this time to get to know each student. Help them get comfortable in the classroom and find a friend or group to play games with. If you have enough volunteers in the room, get involved with the games. Fun builds trust with kids, so don't be afraid to have fun with them! Make sure everyone helps put away preservice games before large groups start.

GAME STATIONS

20 MINS

Live Host: Let's have our leaders come down to the front to get ready for games!

Are you ready for a game? Shout YES! I can't hear you! Let's get ready to play CACTUS RING TOSS!

(Note for Live Host: make sure to give commentary during the game, and encourage the audience to cheer throughout the game).

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CACTUS RING TOSS

- **Supplies:** Cactus ring toss game, 3 tape marks for each point value
- **Live Host:** I need 2 contestants to join me on stage. Let's get ready for cactus ring toss. The line closest to the cactus is 10 points, the middle line is 20 points, and the three line is worth 30 points. You have 4 chances to get the ring on the cactus. The contestant with the most points receives 2 Bible Bucks

FAITH FREEZE DANCE

- **Supplies:** Music
- **Live Host:** On the count of three, I want you to shout YES for the next game! One...Two...Three... YES!!! Now this is a game we all can play. It's time for freeze dance. While the music is playing dance, dance, dance and when the music stops FREEZE! If you are caught moving you are out!

FLOW: WELCOME, FIRST-TIME VISITORS, WORSHIP & OFFERING

25 MINS

Live Host: We want to welcome our first-time visitors in a big way! If this is your first time visiting with us, we are so excited that you are here! So why don't we do this? Let's have everyone stand and clap as we welcome our guests and get ready for worship.

INTRO: MEMORY VERSE

5 MINS

Live Host: Hey, Victory Kids! Are you ready? This month, we're learning what it means to have Wild West Faith! That kind of faith doesn't just sit still, it moves when God says move, trusts even when the trail gets tough, and stands strong when the world around us gets shaky. Out here on God's frontier, we don't follow the crowd, we follow the voice of our Good Shepherd. We don't just guess where to go, we trust God's Word to guide us every step of the way. His truth never fades, never fails, and never changes.

Now, if you are ready to hear this month's memory verse, shout **Yes...** Cue memory verse video

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LESSON RECAP VIDEO

1 MIN

LIVE HOST'S INTRO TO LESSON

5-7 MINS

Live Host:

Hey Victory Kids! How's everybody doing today? We're continuing our Wild West Faith adventure. In this month's series, we are taking a look at what **Faith in Action** looks like through the life of Abraham.

Last week we learned that Abraham showed Faith in Action by **Trusting God's Promises**.

Today, we're learning that faith in action is **Waiting Patiently Brings God's Promises**. We're learning what faith looks like when we live a life of faith.

Key Scripture: Our key scripture for this lesson comes from Genesis 21:1-2 (ICB): "The Lord cared for Sarah as he had said. He did for her what he had promised. Sarah became pregnant. And she gave birth to a son for Abraham in his old age. Everything happened at the time God had said it would."

(At this point, you can decide to play the lesson video or act out October Week 3 of Frontier Faith Skit)

LESSON VIDEO OR FRONTIER FAITH

2-3 MINS

(Both are found in the media file)

MINISTRY LESSON

10 MINS

Supplies: Wrapped present

Live Host Hook: *(Hold up the wrapped present and show it to everyone.)* What if I told you there was an exciting surprise wrapped inside this box? Would that make you excited? *(wait for responses)* Now what if I told you, you can't get the surprise until next week, or December, maybe we can wait until next year. How would that make you feel? *(wait for responses)*

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This is probably how Abraham and Sarah felt, but they did not have to wait a month or a year, they waited years, but we will see in our lesson today, some things are worth waiting for.

- **Waiting on God's Promise**

Last week, we learned that after God told Abraham, "Count the stars, if you can." Then God promised again, "Your children will be as many as the stars," and Abraham believed Him. That kind of faith was strong, but God checked to see if Abraham really believed Him. The days kept passing, and still there was no child. Then came months. Then years. Abraham and Sarah weren't just waiting for a short time; they were waiting through what felt like forever. It must have been hard to keep trusting God and waiting. Can you think of something you've really wanted, but had to wait a long time to get? (wait for responses)

Maybe you had to wait for a birthday, Christmas, a trip, or a new toy. Waiting is hard, right? Abraham and Sarah waited years for something even bigger! But Abraham didn't stop believing. He kept walking with God and trusting that God would still come through. Abraham and Sarah were way too old to ever think they could have a baby. But that's what faith does, it keeps trusting God even when things don't make sense. It's like when you're waiting for a big surprise, and you don't know what it is yet. You have to trust that something good is coming. God wasn't ignoring them; He was getting ready to give them something better than they ever dreamed

- **God Always Does What He says**

After years of waiting, wondering, and even laughing in disbelief, everything changed in a moment. God did just as He said He would. Sarah was pregnant, and she gave birth to a baby boy. They named him Isaac, which means "laughter." Remember she laughed when she overheard the angel tell Abraham they would have a baby. Can you imagine how she must have felt to finally hold the baby they had been praying for and hoping for all those years? God had given a promise, and now His promise was real.

Like Abraham and Sarah, we may wonder if God has forgotten what He said. But He hasn't. He can't. (show scripture slide on screen) The Bible tells us in Numbers 23:19, God is not a man. He will not lie. God is not a human being. He does not change his mind. What he says he will do, he does. What he promises, he keeps. God always does what He says. His timing was perfect, even when it felt slow to them. Isaac's birth was more than a miracle; it was a reminder that God finishes what He starts. God wanted them and us to know that when He makes a promise, He will keep it.

- **God's Best Comes in His Time**

Abraham and Sarah wanted a baby for a long time, but God's promise was even bigger than just giving them Isaac. He was building a whole family that would grow into a great nation. Sometimes what we want and what God promises are not the same.

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And sometimes what we want and when we want it doesn't match God's timing. But trusting God means believing He knows what's best for us. His promises are always good, even if they look different or take longer than we hoped.

When we ask God for His will instead of just what we want, we're saying we trust Him to know what's best. (show scripture slide on screen) That's why Proverbs 3:5–6, says "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." What this means is waiting isn't easy, but faith helps us hold on. When we trust God through the wait, He grows something strong in our hearts. And when the answer finally comes, the joy we feel is even greater, and it shows us how good and faithful God really is.

MINISTRY MOMENT

10 MINS

Raise your hand and tell me something you learned today. I am giving away Bible bucks!

Today, we learned that **Faith in Action is Waiting Patiently Brings God's Promises.**

- **Waiting on God's Promise**
- **God Always Does What He Says**
- **God's Best Comes in His Time**

Faith doesn't always mean you get what you want or get it the way you want it, but you will always get God's promise and best for you. When we wait with trust like Abraham, we can be sure that God's promises will become real and our joy will be full.

Call to Action

For your call to action this week:

This week, we want you to have a Joy Journaling Moment. Think of something God has already done for you, maybe it was something you waited for, and write or draw it. Say "thank You" to God for being faithful.

We will share in our small groups next week and receive some Bible Bucks!

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WRAP-UP & CLOSING PRAYER

5 MINS

(If your campus begins with small groups, please ask review questions before closing prayer. If your campus ends with small group, move directly to closing prayer (these questions will be asked and answered in small group))

1. What big promise did God make to Abraham and Sarah? **That they would have a son, and their family would grow into a great nation.**
2. Did Abraham and Sarah keep trusting God while they waited? **Yes! Even though it was hard, they kept believing God would do what He said.**
3. What happened after all the waiting? **God kept His promise, Abraham and Sarah had a baby.**
4. What was Abraham and Sarah's baby's name? **Isaac**
5. What does this story teach us about waiting on God? **Various answers: ex. God keeps His promises**

Before we move to small group, let us take a moment to pray

Closing Prayer

Dear Lord, Thank You for always keeping Your promises. Give us patience while we wait. Joy when we remember Your faithfulness. Courage to believe that You're working. Even when we don't see it. Thank You for loving me. Help me trust Your plan. Not what I want. But what You want. Because Your way is best. In Jesus' name, Amen.



ELEMENTARY SMALL GROUP LESSON

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SMALL GROUP OPTION ONE - (There are TWO options provided for small group the second one is for the campuses that does small group first)

INTRO

Live Host: Good morning, everyone! I hope you enjoyed today's lesson. Can anyone tell me what you learned today? *(wait for students' responses)* **Faith in Action is Waiting Patiently Brings God's Promises**

Our scripture came from Genesis! Can anyone tell me where Genesis is located? *(wait for responses)*

Let's see who can turn to today's key scripture first Genesis 21:1-2. Great job!

Now for those of us who need some help finding it. Let's do it together! Let's open our Bibles to the Old Testament. *(Demonstrate how to find Genesis, and the key scripture verse in the bible)*

Now we found it, just a reminder: this week, when you talk about what we learned with your parents, open your Bible to Genesis as you recap what you've learned.

Okay, let's get a little deeper into what we learned today.

ICEBREAKER

(This icebreaker has two parts: questions from today's lesson and the call to action from last week)

1. What big promise did God make to Abraham and Sarah? **That they would have a son, and their family would grow into a great nation.**
2. Did Abraham and Sarah keep trusting God while they waited? **Yes! Even though it was hard, they kept believing God would do what He said.**
3. What happened after all the waiting? **God kept His promise, and Sarah had a baby named Isaac.**
4. What does Isaac's name mean, and why is it important? **Isaac means laughter, because God turned their waiting into joy.**
5. What does this story teach us about waiting on God? **Various answers: ex. God keeps His promises.**

Great job answering the questions. Does anybody remember what we were supposed to do last week for our call to action? *(Wait for responses)*

For our call to action:

You were to say a faith prayer. Each day last week, pray this prayer by finishing this sentence: "God, I trust You even when _____. " What were some of your faith prayers?

Remember, whoever shares receives Bible Bucks.



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PRAYER REQUESTS

Tell students we're starting prayer, remain with eyes closed, and focus attention on God. Ask for any prayer requests they would like to share. If your small group needs a little encouragement, give them categories like **family, school, or friends** to get them thinking about areas they need prayer in. After students share, lead the group in prayer, covering each prayer request, using the name of each student that asks for prayer.

RECAP CALL TO ACTION

5 MINS

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S.O.A.P

10 MINS

Please use the S.O.A.P sheet.

ACTIVITY: (OPTIONAL)

This activity can be taken from the game station section if needed.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Lord, Thank You for always keeping Your promises. Give us patience while we wait, joy when we remember Your faithfulness, and courage to believe that You're working even when we don't see it. We love You, and we know You never forget what You've said. In Jesus' name, Amen.



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S.O.A.P

S.O.A.P is a simple but helpful way to study the Bible and apply it to our own lives.

S.O.A.P stands for, **SCRIPTURE, OBSERVATION, APPLICATION AND PRAYER** and involves four simple steps.

S: SCRIPTURE

You physically write out the scripture. You'll be amazed what God will reveal to you just by taking the time to slow down and actually write out what you are reading!

O: OBSERVATION

What do you notice about the verses? What do you think the main message is? What verses, words or ideas jump out to you? Who is the audience? Is there a repetition of words?

A: APPLICATION

Ask God how He wants you to apply the verse to your own life. This is when God's Word becomes personal. What is God saying to me today? How can I apply what I just read to my own personal life? What changes do I need to make? Is there an action that I need to take?

P: PRAYER

Pray God's Word back to Him. If He has revealed something to you during this time in His Word, pray about it. Confess if He has revealed some sin that is in your life.

LET'S S.O.A.P TOGETHER

"The Lord cared for Sarah as he had said. He did for her what he had promised. Sarah became pregnant. And she gave birth to a son for Abraham in his old age. Everything happened at the time God had said it would."

GENESIS 21:1-2

Name:

Grade:

Date:

S.O.A.P

“The Lord cared for Sarah as he had said. He did for her what he had promised. Sarah became pregnant. And she gave birth to a son for Abraham in his old age. Everything happened at the time God had said it would”
Genesis 21:1-2

SCRIPTURE

What did you read?

OBSERVATION

What is God saying?

What does this look like in my life?

APPLICATION

PRAYER

Dear God...

Check out this month's Memory Verse Song!

“Accept my work and learn from me. I am gentle and humble in spirit.
And you will find rest for your souls.” Matthew 11:29

SCAN ME

