

# LESSON DISCUSSION GUIDE GRADE SCHOOL

Kindergarten to Grade 4

July 20 & 21, 2024 Weekend

# **MAIN POINT:**

God is the Author: God Helps Me Bless Others

# **MEMORY VERSE:**

"The Lord your God is God. He is the faithful God." Deuteronomy 7:9a

# **BIBLE STORY SUMMARY:**

God kept His promise and gave Abraham and Sarah a son named Isaac. Isaac grew up and married a woman named Rebekah. They had twin boys named Jacob and Esau. Jacob was Rebekah's favourite and Isaac favored Esau. Esau was the older son, so he was supposed to receive a blessing that was passed down from Abraham to Isaac and then to Esau. But Rebekah helped Jacob trick his father into giving him the blessing instead of Esau. So now God's blessing that He had promised Abraham, was going to come through Jacob.

# **WATCH IT**

Find the lesson video on our website: https://cschurch.ca/childrens-online

## DO IT → BLESSING SECRET MISSION

#### **Supplies:**

- Small Rocks (1 per child)
- Bibles
- Colored Sharpies
- Prewritten Blessing note for kids to decorate (1 per child)
- Crayons

#### **Activity Instructions:**

- Give your child the blessing note and rock, and have them decorate them.
- Help your child take their rock to place somewhere in your neighbourhood and it can hold the blessing
  card for whomever finds it. You may put it near a playground, along a path, in someone's garden.
   Anywhere you want! Encourage them to think about what they want their rock to say or look like. It
  could be a word like Hope, Peace or Love. Or they might colour a heart or a smile on it.

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# **TALK ABOUT IT:**

Do this section with your child while they're putting together their craft.

- 1. Let's think of situations when someone might need a blessing passed onto them. (They're sad or lonely, they've lost their job, they're not well, there's been a death in the family, they're feeling discouraged or disappointed. Then, think up clever places they can hide their rocks and notes.)
- 2. Being "blessed" by God doesn't necessarily mean we receive nice things or always experience happy times. Jesus spoke of being blessed even in the hard times of life. Read Matthew 5:3–12 aloud. What does it mean to be blessed? (It means we will receive a heaven-focused reward. God will give us what we need in the moment. We will be filled up with Him. Invite your children to take a few minutes to think about ways they've been blessed by God.)
- **3.** How is being blessed according to God, different from what the world says about being blessed? (It's encouraging and gives us the strength to make it through hard times and help others through hard times. The world thinks blessings are just an abundance of things.)

## **FAMILY PRAYER:**

Dear God, thank You that You have blessed us in so many ways. Thank You that You give us opportunities to bless others. Please bless the person who's going to get the rock and note. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen.

## **OFFERING:**

Our offering for the months of July to September is going to a partner church in SE Asia to help farmers with micro-farming of chickens and frogs.

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