

## Abraham and Sarah

### (Experiencing the Story, Lesson 1)

**ABRAHAM:** Sarah, God has spoken to me. He told me that He has a special plan for our family. He wants us to move to Canaan. He promises that if we are faithful and follow His plan He will bless us.

**SARAH:** Move? But Abraham, we've been here for so long. My wool business is just getting off the ground. Can't we just go for a visit? Do we really have to pack up everything and leave here? Do we have to leave all our friends? Where will we live? How will we find work?

**ABRAHAM:** I understand how you feel. I'm scared too. At 75 I don't like the idea of moving but God has promised to guide us and bless us if we trust Him. He has great plans for our family and for you and me. This isn't just our adventure; it's God's adventure.

**SARAH:** OK. If you are sure that God wants us to move, then I am happy to move.

**NARRATOR:** So Abraham and Sarah, along with their nephew Lot, gathered all their belongings and set out for Canaan. When they reached Shechem, God appeared to Abraham in a dream and said, "I am going to give this land to your children." At the very spot where God talked to him, Abraham built an altar to the Lord. And wherever he went, Abraham and his family worshipped and obeyed God.

## LESSON 3

### **I Waited Patiently for the Lord** (Responsive Reading for Experiencing the Story, Lesson 3)

I waited patiently for the Lord;  
he turned to me and heard my cry.  
He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire;  
he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

***He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.  
Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in him.***

Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,  
who does not look to the proud, to those who turn aside to false gods.

***Many, Lord my God, are the wonders you have done,  
the things you planned for us.  
None can compare with you;  
were I to speak and tell of your deeds, they would be too many to declare. . . .***

"I desire to do your will, my God;  
your law is within my heart." . . .  
I do not hide your righteousness in my heart;  
I speak of your faithfulness and your saving help.  
I do not conceal your love and your faithfulness from the great assembly.

***Do not withhold your mercy from me, Lord;  
may your love and faithfulness always protect me.—From Psalm 40, NIV.***

**It's About Grace**

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It's a - bout grace, grace, Je - sus took my

place; It's a - bout love, love, He came down from a - bove.

Jus - tice, sin and mer - cy meet at Cal - va - ry's tree, Je - sus shed His blood to save a

sin - ner like me. Be - cause of Je - sus' love, I am for - gi - ven and free. Thank

God for His a - ma - zing grace God, Praise His

name! Thank God for His a - ma - zing Grace.

## LESSON 6

### NET KIDS SCRIPT (for Lesson 6)

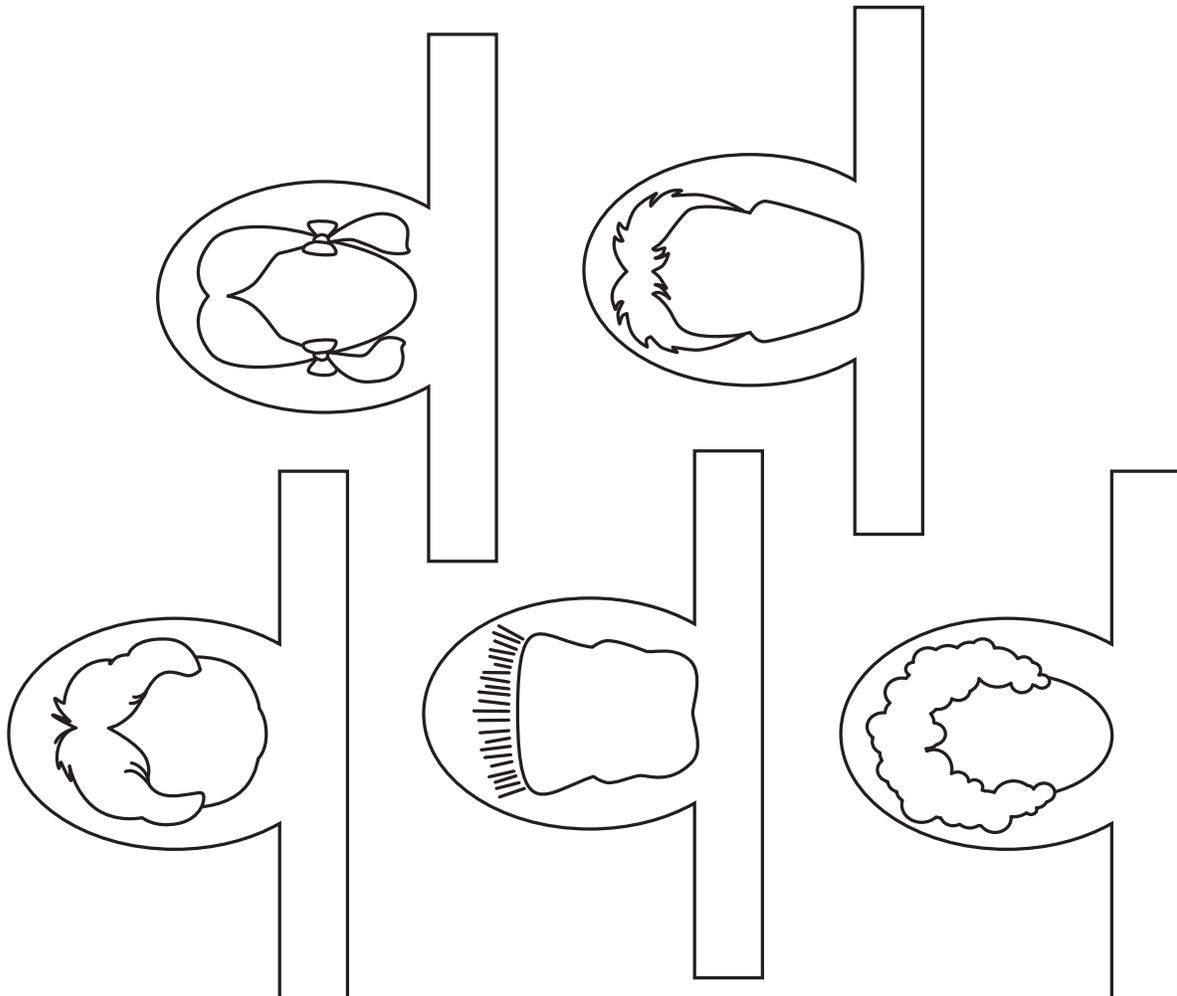
- Ulla:** I don't understand this grace business. And what does it mean—God putting Himself in our place?
- Ivan:** Ulla, what is it you don't understand?
- Ulla:** Ivan, isn't there something I must do?
- Emiko:** Hi! This is Emiko!
- Darren:** G'day. Just in from surfing here.
- Ivan:** Emiko and Darren, we're talking about grace.
- Emiko:** Ivan, who's Grace?
- Darren:** LOL [lots of laughs]. Emiko, not who, but what. Ulla, if you had to do something, it wouldn't be grace. Grace is free—like a gift.
- Ana:** Darren, yes, but here in the U.S., gifts aren't always free. I wanted to get my mom a little bottle of perfume for Christmas. I saw a sign in the store that said "FREE PERFUME," but when I read the small print, it said "with purchase." I had to buy a big bottle to get the little bottle free.
- Emiko:** God is not like that.
- Tendai:** Ulla, let me tell you a story someone told me. A man, his son, and some friends went fishing in the frozen waters of Alaska. When it was time to leave, their seaplane took off, but crashed because the wings were frozen. They ended up in the cold water. The older men were strong swimmers, but the son wasn't. The other two men were able to swim to safety. The father could have saved himself, but he stayed to help his son. Rescue finally came, but the father had died. The son survived because of his father.
- Ulla:** Tendai, so you're saying that the father didn't have to die?
- Ivan:** Yes, but he risked death anyway to save his son.
- Tendai:** And the son didn't have to do anything to earn his father's love—or his death.
- Ulla:** Tendai, I'm beginning to understand.
- Darren:** I wonder if someone would do that for me if I got into trouble.
- Ivan:** Darren, someone already did!

**Stress Fractures**  
(For Readiness B, Lesson 9)

1. My family is moving to another state (or country).
2. I need to wear glasses.
3. My father is getting married again.
4. The teacher surprises us with a test at school.
5. My grandfather is very sick and has been taken to the hospital.
6. Mom starts a full-time job.
7. I start a new school.
8. My dog is run over by a car.
9. My best friend won't speak to me.
10. I lose the \$50 my dad gave me this morning.

	<i>I'm not bothered.</i>	<i>I'm really stressed!</i>	<i>I'm deeply affected!</i>
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**Finger Puppet Patterns**  
(For Lesson 9, "Applying the Lesson")



# LESSON 10

## Role Cards

(For Readiness B, Lesson 10)

<p><b>ROLE CARD:</b> You need to win this game. For you there are no rules other than you must win. That's all that's important. But <b>DON'T LET ANYONE ELSE KNOW WHAT YOUR ROLE IS!</b></p>	<p><b>ROLE CARD:</b> You need to win this game. For you there are no rules other than you must win. That's all that's important. But <b>DON'T LET ANYONE ELSE KNOW WHAT YOUR ROLE IS!</b></p>
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