

LESSON 5
“DEPENDABILITY”
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BIBLE CONNECTION

Genesis 12:1-9 (page 15)

CHARACTER WORD

Dependability – Trustworthy
to do what I say I will do

TEACHING OBJECTIVE

I can depend on God
to keep His promises.

MEMORY LINK

Deuteronomy 7:9a

“Therefore know that the
LORD your God, He is God,
the faithful God...”

(KBC Study Bible pg. 194)

**SUPPLIES NEEDED
THIS WEEK**

GET CONNECTED

None

MEMORY LINK ACTIVITY

Option 1: Paper, bucket, tape

Option 2: None

BIBLE CONNECTION

Paper, Lesson 5 Resource

SURF TEAM LEADER

Memory Link cards, index
cards, pens, Hang 10 pages

**MAKE-IT-STICK
REVIEW GAME**

Option 1: Paper, pens

Option 2: Paper

God Makes a Promise to Abram

WHAT’S THE POINT?

God told Abram to move. He told Abram to leave his country and go. Abram did not know where he was going. What Abram was asked to do was not easy, but God told Abram that He would bless him and make his name great. Abram went. He departed as the Lord had told him to do. Abram’s obedience showed he depended on God.

Why do we have difficulty obeying God? God has revealed His will to us in His Word and has shown us how to live. God asks us to step out in faith, just as He did Abram. We have difficulty with simple obedience. We have difficulty trusting God. If only we could remember that God goes before us. He will never leave us. He is faithful.

God was faithful to complete His work in Abram’s life. God was and is and always will be dependable. We can step out in faith and depend on God to keep His promises. Deuteronomy 7:9 says, “Therefore know that the LORD your God, He is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations with those who love Him and keep His commandments.”



GET CONNECTED

10-15 Minutes – Building relationships in Surf Teams; introducing today’s lesson.

No supplies needed

Use the following conversation prompts to get to know the kids in your Surf Team and to introduce today’s lesson.

- Today we are going to talk about dependability. What does dependability mean?
- Name someone who has been dependable in your life.
- Today we will learn that we can depend on God to keep His promises!



Guide clubbers to locate and mark today’s Bible Connection and Memory Link in their Bibles so they can find the pages quickly as directed in the session.

Worship Tip

Take time to teach the kids what the songs mean. Define unfamiliar words and explain “churchy” phrases that are probably unfamiliar to Beach Club kids. Share a scripture that goes along with the song. Teach them that clapping, dancing, etc., are all ways to express our worship to God.

BIBLE CONNECTION



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Teaching today's character word through a gospel-centered Bible story.

Paper; Option: print lesson 5 resources

Prepare

Write each of the numbered statements (1-11) below on large, separate sheets of paper. As you discuss each statement, ask a clubber to hold the poster in order at the front of your teaching area. Option: Print these posters from the lesson resources.

Introduce the Story

Each week in KiDs Beach Club® we read the Bible and learn about God and His characteristics.

Can you tell me something you know about God? Allow clubbers and volunteers to call out descriptions of God. Be sure to list some of the following: knows all things (omniscient), present everywhere (omnipresent), has all power over all things (omnipotent), holy, merciful, good, love. Now that we have those things in our mind when we think about God, does God seem like someone we can depend on? Yes! The story today is about God showing His dependability to Abram by keeping His promise.

Genesis 12:1-9

Ask kids to find Genesis 12:1-9 in their KBC Study Bibles (page 15). Read the passage aloud as the kids follow along. *Let's look at the story again.* Call for each numbered poster as you pause along the way to talk about the story.

1. Abram lived in a city named Ur.
2. God told Abram to leave his country and his father's house.
3. God said, "Go to a land that I will show you."

Talk About It

How many of you have had to move? Is moving easy? What if you had to leave your city and move to an unknown location far away? Allow children who may have made a recent move to tell about the experience, if they desire. God asked Abram to do just that. Let's see what God did next.

4. God promised to make Abram a great nation.
5. God promised to bless Abram and make his name great.
6. God promised that He would bless all the families of the earth.

Talk About It

God didn't just tell Abram to leave his country. He made him a promise. Is it easier to obey your parents or do something like move if you are promised a blessing? God promised that Abram would be the father of many nations. At that time Abram did not even have a child! It did not make sense. What did Abram decide to do?

7. Abram obeyed God.
8. Abram took his family, his servants and all his belongings.
9. He went to Canaan.

Teaching Tip

When using the teaching signs for this lesson, allow kids to hold them or tape them on the wall behind you. If you don't want to place the signs with the surf teams, you can place them around the edge of the room and call on a child to run and find the number you call. When you place the sign in front of the group, allow the clubbers to read the statement together.

Teaching Tip

When reading the story from the Bible, be sure to read with enthusiasm and intentionality. As you read, do your best to communicate a love for the Bible so the kids will get a sense of how important it is to you. By watching you read and teach the Bible, the kids will have the opportunity to develop the same love for the Bible.



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