



CHURCH EDUCATION

The Holy Bible  
The Book of Mormon



*'...and they shall become one in thine hand.'* Ezekiel 37.17

## LESSON TITLE

### Abraham, God's Friend

## UNIT 6 - Evidence of Authority and Establishing the Church

## GRADES PreK - Kindergarten

## HOLY BIBLE

James 2:23, "And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God."

## THE BOOK OF MORMON

Helaman 8:17, "Yea, and behold, Abraham saw of his coming, and was filled with gladness and did rejoice."

## OBJECTIVES

Participants will be able to:

- Discover how Abraham became God's Friend, James 2:23

## ESSENTIAL QUESTION

- Abraham became God's friend by listening to Him. How can we become God's friend?

## MATERIALS

Holy Bible (KJV) and The Book of Mormon

**Video:** [The Friend of God, Abraham](#), View from 0:14 – 1:07 minutes only. It's recommended to turn Subtitles/CC "ON" and mute audio so the teacher can narrate the story while watching video.

**Task:** Assignment page 3. 1 copy per student. Crayons or markers

## TEACHER NOTES

30-minute lesson

To prepare for this lesson, study the scriptural references listed in **Story Map**, page 2.

Q = Teacher asks question

Note: The Church of Jesus Christ uses the Authorized King James Version of The Holy Bible and The Book of Mormon published by The Church

## PROCEDURE

### Motivation/Introduction (3 minutes)

Engage students in a conversation about friends and friendship...

**Q:** Do you have a friend? What is your friend's name?

**Q:** Why is \_\_\_\_\_ your friend?

**Q:** What does it mean to be a friend?

A friend is someone who we...

- love and who loves us,
- help and who helps us,
- listen to and who listens to us.

**Goal:** Discover how Abraham became God's friend.

### Lesson Development (15-20 minutes)

1. Share a retelling of how Abraham becomes God's friend (Use story map, or create your own).
2. Video: Watch a segment of The Friend of God, link page 1.
3. Discuss Essential Question (Page1)
4. Task: Give each student a copy of the assignment page. Tell students to print their name on the page and draw their picture in the circle. Students may color the page.

Key words: Heavenly Authority, Establishing the Church, Abraham

### Story Map: Abraham, God's Friend

(Genesis 12:1-4, 15:1-4, 17:1-4, 16, 19, 21, 21:1-5, 26:5, James 2:23, Helaman 8:17, 18)

*A long time ago lived a man named Abraham, his wife Sarah, and his nephew Lot. God loves Abraham, and Abraham loves God. Abraham shows love to God by listening.*

*Listening means to pay attention, and to do what someone says.*

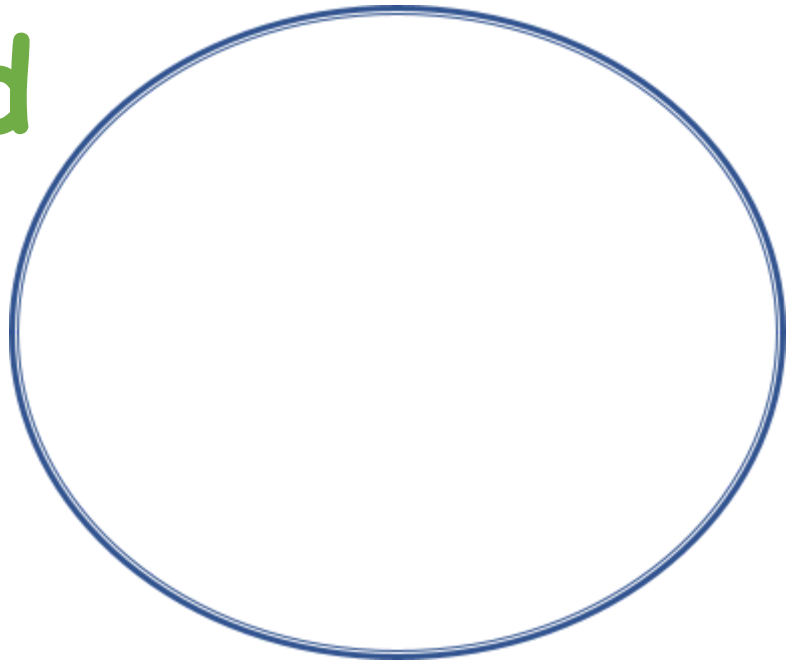
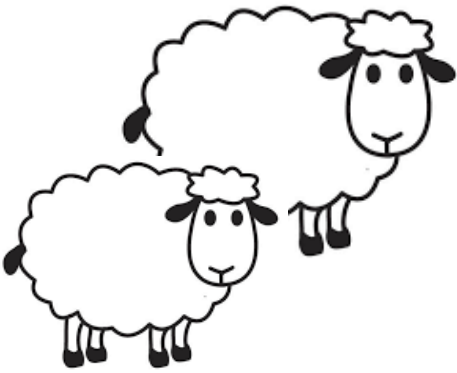
*One day God tells Abraham to leave his home and move to another place. God promises to take care of Abraham and give him a very large family in this new place. Abraham listens to God. He takes his wife Sarah, and his nephew Lot and they move to the place where God said to go.*

*Abraham and his wife grow old, and they have no children. They desire to have children, but are not able. Abraham asks God to give him a child. God tells Abraham that He will give him a child. Abraham listens to God, and waits 25 years for his wife, Sarah, to have a baby. Abraham is 100 years old when his son, Isaac, is born.*

*God tells Abraham that His Son, Jesus, will be part of Abraham's family, and will rescue the world. Abraham listens to God and believes that Jesus will save him. The promise of Jesus, the rescuer, makes Abraham very happy.*

*Abraham paid attention to God when He speaks, and does what God says. Abraham becomes God's friend by listening.*

I am a  
**FRIEND**  
of God



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"Abraham believed God... and he was called the Friend of God." James 2:23