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In the name of the  
Father, and the Son, and  
the Holy Spirit, one God.  
Amen.



Begin with the Lord's prayer

Our Lord and Savior, our King and God, we thank you for gathering us here to stand before you to call on your Holy Name.

Heavenly Father, teach us to trust You in everything we do.

Our God open our eyes, ears, hearts and minds to Your Word today.

Bless all the children and keep them safe. Hear us when we humbly and thankfully pray to you.

Our Father, who art in heaven

Hallowed be thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done

On earth as it is in heaven

Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our trespasses

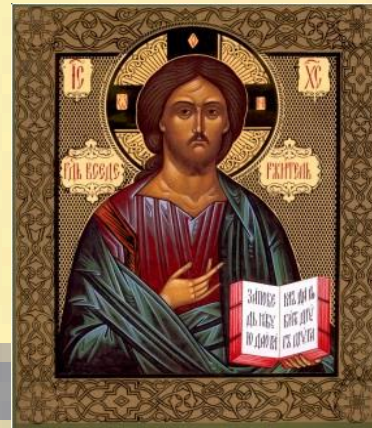
As we forgive those who trespass against us

And lead us not into temptation

But deliver us from the evil one

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the

Glory. Forever, Amen.





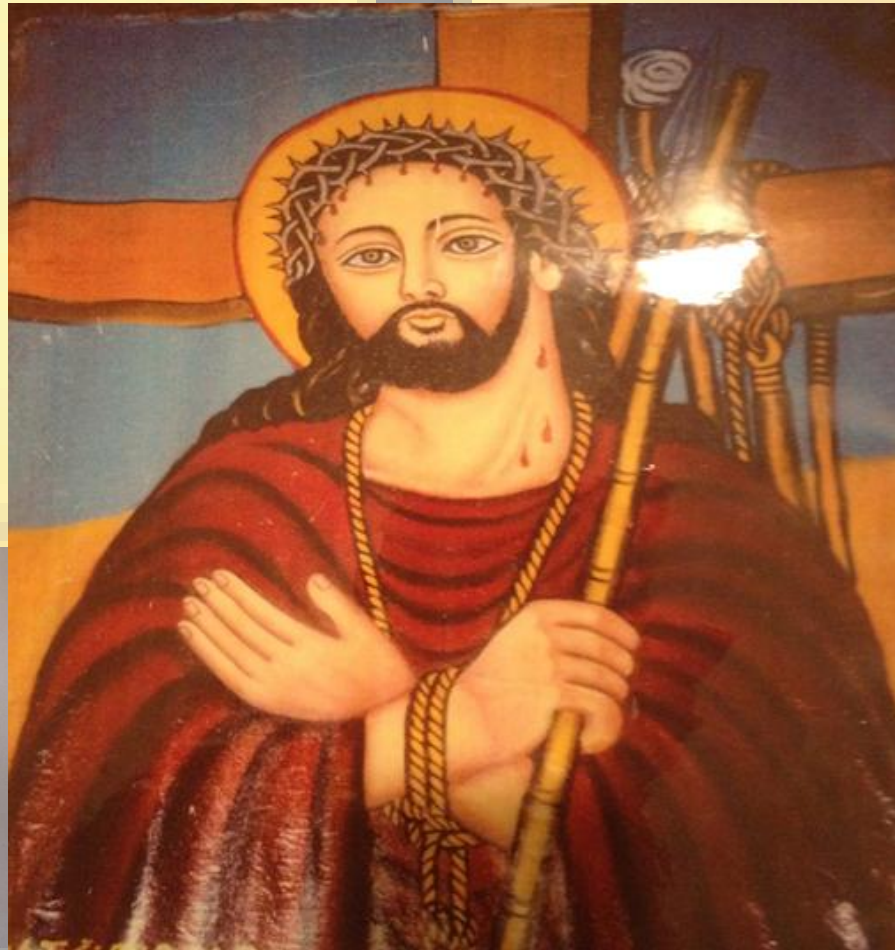
O our Lady, as St. Gabriel greeted you, “Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.” True Virgin in conscience as well as body, blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb.

Holy Mary, the God-bearer, pray that your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, may forgive us our sins. Amen.



**Say The Jesus Prayer 3 times**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,  
have mercy on me, a sinner.**



# Review

1. Whom did the Lord call to leave his country?
2. What is the name of the country?
3. What did the inhabitants of the land worship?
4. Who of Abraham's relatives went out with him?
5. What type of table is used to make sacrifices to God? Altar
6. Whom did Abraham see? 3 messengers of God called angles in the form of men.
7. Who does the three guests represent? The Holy Trinity
8. What did he do for them? Served them food and washed their feet.
9. What promise did they tell Abraham? Sarah will have a baby boy.
10. What is the meaning of the name Isaac? It means He laughs

# MEMORY VERSE

**Can anyone tell me  
last week's  
memory verse???**






# Recite Last week's memory verse

- "For nothing is impossible with God."  
(Luke 1:37)



# Class Covenant

I will keep my  on my teacher,  
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my s on God's Word;  
knowing God is my goal.

# A wife for Isaac



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# Memory Verse

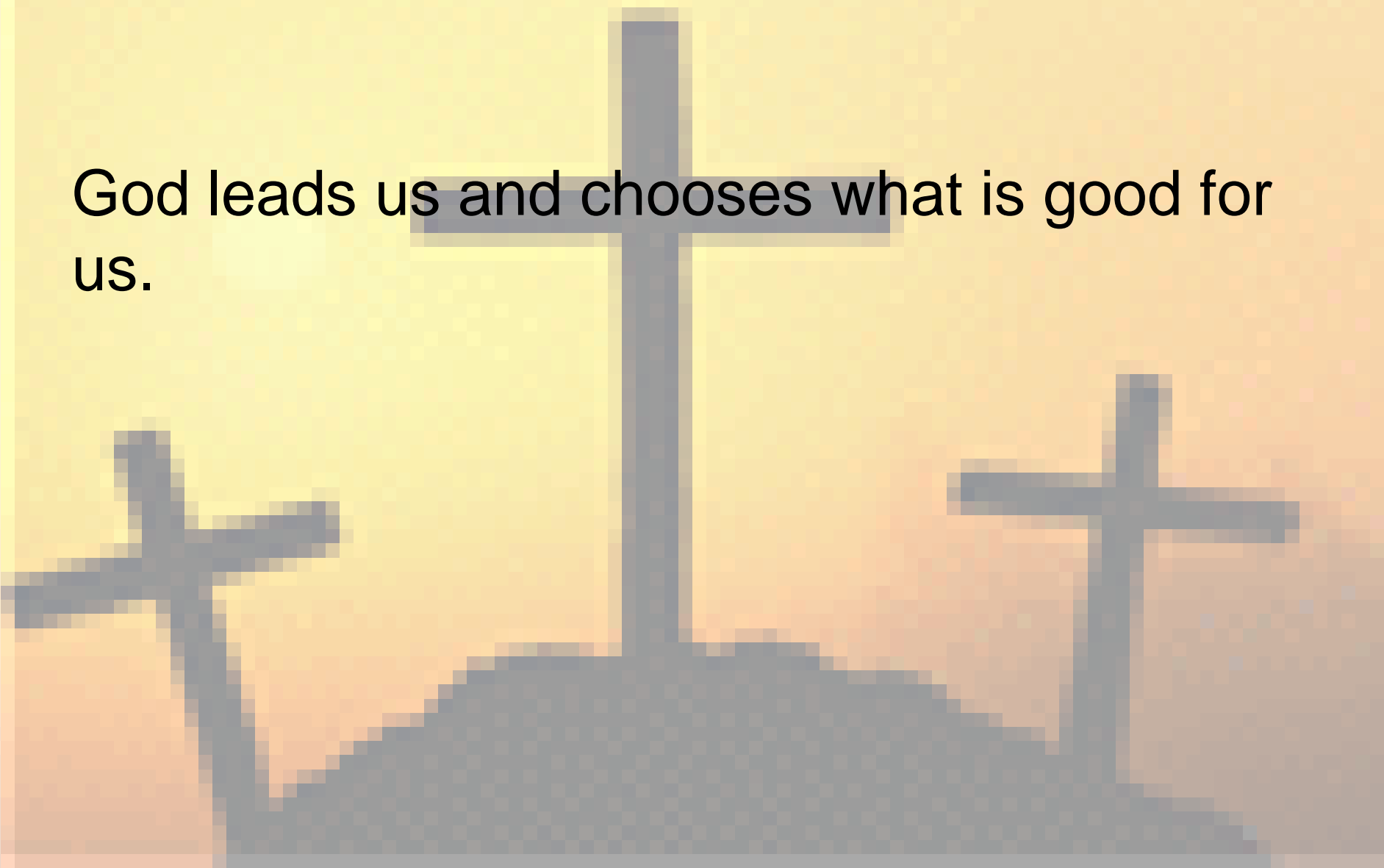
- "In God I have put my trust; I will not fear."  
(Psalm 56:4)





# Objective

God leads us and chooses what is good for us.



Abraham was the father of Isaac and he was getting very old. So, he wanted to find a beautiful wife for his son Isaac.



Abraham wanted to choose the perfect wife for his son and so he asked his favorite servant Eleazar to go and find a wife for Isaac.





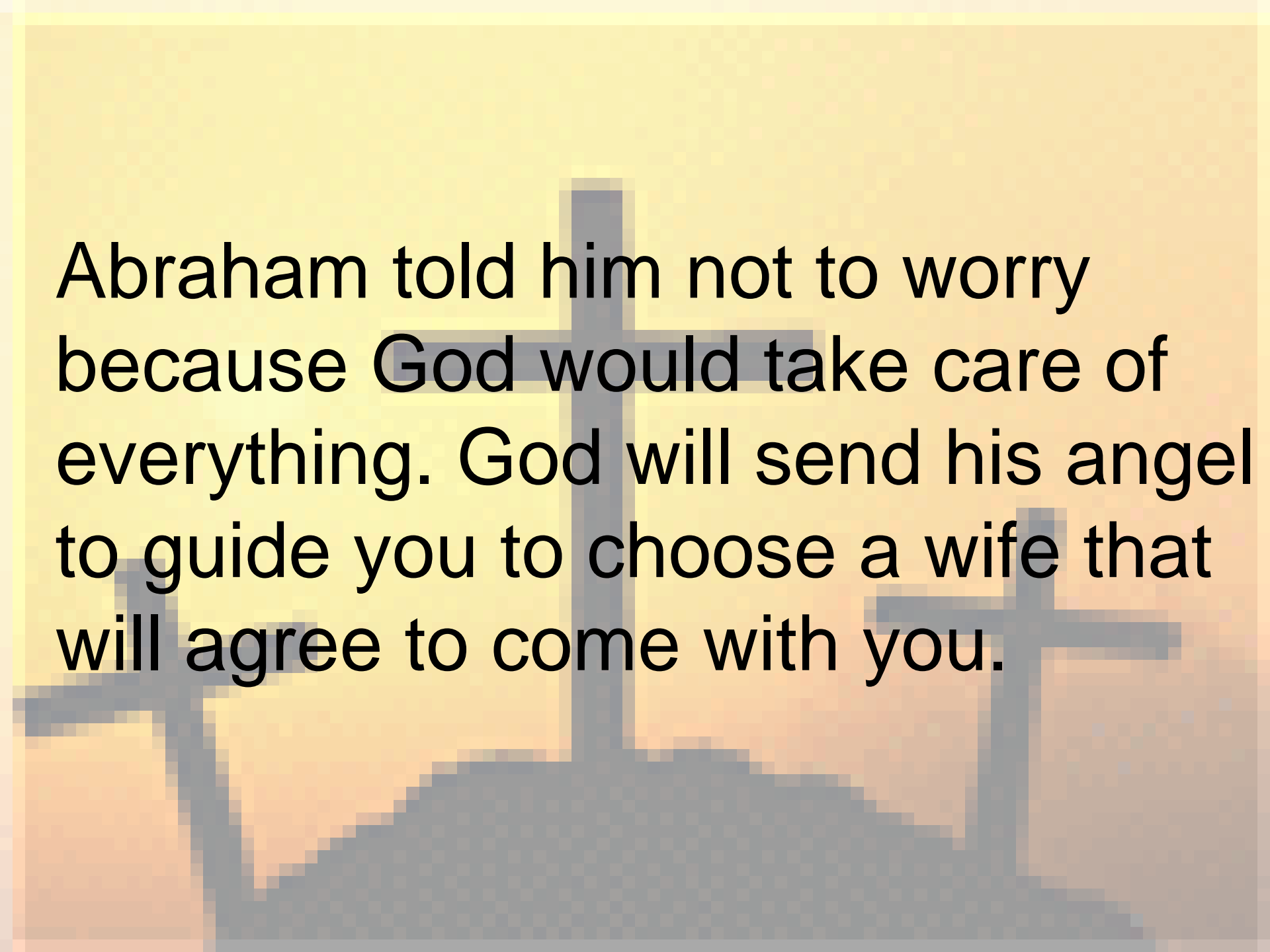
The wife that he chooses had to be very special, because she had to love God as much as Isaac and his father did. She also had to obey God's commandments. He also wanted to make sure that Isaac's wife should be from his own people who know God.



Abraham told him to go and find one of their relatives from a far...far away land. The servant was worried, how could he ask someone to travel this far to be Isaac's wife? Maybe she would be scared to leave her family.

And the servant also asked Abraham: What if she does not want to come with me here should I take your son Isaac to see her there.

Abraham said: Do not take my son back. Abraham did not want his son Isaac to go back because God, long time ago, told him to leave his home, his family and his land and to go to another land. And Abraham was very obedient to God so he did not want his son to go back.



Abraham told him not to worry because God would take care of everything. God will send his angel to guide you to choose a wife that will agree to come with you.

So, Abraham's servant took ten camels with him and many presents to give to the family of the new bride of Isaac when he finds her.





After traveling for a long time he became very thirsty and he decided that he would let the camels rest. He was waiting for somebody to offer him some water. He also prayed to God that He might guide him to the good wife for Isaac. He asked God that the woman who will give him water to drink and will also give his camels would be the one that God chose for Isaac.





Just after he finished praying, a beautiful young women named Rebekah came out with a jar (pitcher) to get water.





As she was getting water, the servant ran to her and asked if she could give him water to drink.





She kindly gave him a drink.





She offered some water to the camels because she could see that they were thirsty, isn't she so nice?



The helper was so excited that God took care of him and answered his prayer. The servants then knew that this is the wife for Isaac because she did just what he asked God that she would do. He was so happy he prayed and thanked God for showing him this girl.



The servant was very happy that he found a wife for Isaac so he took a gold nose ring and two bracelets and gave her as a present. He asked Rebekah about her family. The servant could not believe how God had provided.





It turned out that her father was a relative of Abraham. Rebekah was excited. She ran back to her family and told them the news.





Quickly they ran to the well to meet the servant. They brought him back to their home and gave him food to eat and a place to stay. The servant introduced himself to her father Bethuel and her brother Laban.





Rebekah's father and brother asked the servant what he wanted. He shared that Abraham was looking for a wife for his son, Isaac. He shared how God had helped him find Rebekah and his joy in learning that she was a relative of Abraham's family.





When Rebekah's father heard all that God had done, he told Abraham's servant that certainly God had arranged this meeting. Abraham's servant bowed down and gave Rebekah's family gold and silver jewelry, clothing, and many expensive gifts.





Then, they asked Rebekah if she would like to go with the servant to be Isaac's wife and she said: "I will go".





The next morning Rebecca leaves with the servant.





She went on to meet her husband Isaac.





Isaac was out in the field when he saw camels coming. Rebekah also looked up and saw Isaac. She asked the servant about him and found out that it was Isaac, whom she would marry. As he approached, she put a veil over her face as was the custom in that time.





When Isaac met her he also knew that God had chosen the perfect wife for him, because she was so nice and good and she loved God very much. Isaac married Rebekah and loved her.





# Conclusion

- We have to pray before we do anything.
- We have to pray when we need help from God. He can guide us to the right thing to do.
- We can see how God answers prayers and is faithful to help us in our time of need.
- We can also see how God gives the best to us when we let Him help us.

# Movie Clip

Show a short movie clip about the story, if available.





# Questions

1. What did Abraham want from the oldest servant?
2. Can Isaac go back to get a wife?
3. Why did Abraham not want Isaac to go back?
4. What did the servant do before he chose a wife? Who did he ask for help? How?
5. How did he find the wife? What was her name?
6. How did he know she was the right one for Isaac?
7. What did the servant give Rebekah as a present?
8. What did the servant do at Rebekah's house?
9. Why did the servant choose the sign of drawing water for camels?  
(Because Only a kind, polite and respectful person would freely offer to draw water for ten camels as well as for their owner.)

The End

# Next Week

We will learn about two different brothers Esau and Jacob.





## 3 things we all can do to strengthen our relationship with God

1. Read the Holy Bible daily preferably when we get up in the morning. 5 minutes to start.
2. Take Holy Communion regularly.
3. Remember God throughout the day. We can repeat short prayer such as “Lord Jesus Christ have mercy on me.”

# JESUS CHRIST

- “For there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12)





Any question?

Close with prayer.

