



Family Devotional: The Promise of the Garden

Theme: God promised Abraham that his family line would bless the whole world — and Jesus is that blessing.

Focus Verse:

“If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to the promise.”

— Galatians 3:29

Other Scriptures:

- Genesis 12:1–3
- Genesis 22:15–18
- Galatians 3:16

Devotional Thought:

Have you ever looked up your family tree or heard a story about your grandparents or great-grandparents? It’s fun to learn where we come from and how our family grew over time.

But did you know that if you follow Jesus, you’re part of a much bigger family story, one that started thousands of years ago with a man named Abraham?

God made Abraham a promise. He told him to leave his home and follow Him into an unknown land. Abraham didn’t know all the details, but he trusted God anyway. And because of that, God promised to make Abraham’s family into a great nation, one that would bless the whole world.

That promise came true through Jesus!

Jesus was born from Abraham’s family line, and through Him, the blessing of salvation reached every person on earth, including us.

Even more amazing? The Bible says that when we belong to Jesus, we become part of Abraham’s family too. That means God’s promises to Abraham now include you!

So, whether your family has followed Jesus for generations or you’re the first one to start, remember this: ***God’s promises don’t stop with one person. They multiply through faith.***

Scripture Focus:

Genesis 12:1–3 (NIV)

The Lord had said to Abram, “Go from your country, your people and your father’s household to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.”

**Genesis 22:15–18 (NIV)**

The angel of the Lord called to Abraham from heaven a second time and said, “I swear by myself, declares the Lord, that because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, I will surely bless you and make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as the sand on the seashore. Your descendants will take possession of the cities of their enemies, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because you have obeyed me.”

Galatians 3:16 (NIV)

The promises were spoken to Abraham and to his seed. Scripture does not say “and to seeds,” meaning many people, but “and to your seed,” meaning one person, who is Christ.

Galatians 3:29 (NIV)

If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Talk About It (Family Discussion Questions):

1. What do you think it means that God’s promise to Abraham “blessed the whole world”?
2. Why do you think God started His plan with one person instead of a big group?
3. How does it make you feel to know that you’re part of Abraham’s family through Jesus?
4. Can you think of ways God has been faithful to your family in the past?
5. What are some ways your family can share God’s blessings with others today?

(Optional for older kids or teens: What does it mean that God’s promises “multiply through faith”?)

Weekly Challenge:

This week, gather your family and trace your family tree together. Whether your family came together through birth, adoption, or marriage, every branch matters to God. Celebrate how He’s brought your family together and share stories of His faithfulness (the ways He’s shown up in your family history). Then thank God that because of Jesus, we are all part of Abraham’s family — and His promises belong to us, too.

Family Prayer:

Lord, thank You for being a promise-keeping God.

Thank You for beginning Your plan of salvation through Abraham and for fulfilling it through Jesus.

Help us remember that we are part of Your story and that Your promises reach through generations.

Bless our family, strengthen our faith, and help us to live as people who trust Your promises and share Your blessings with others.

In Jesus’ name, Amen.