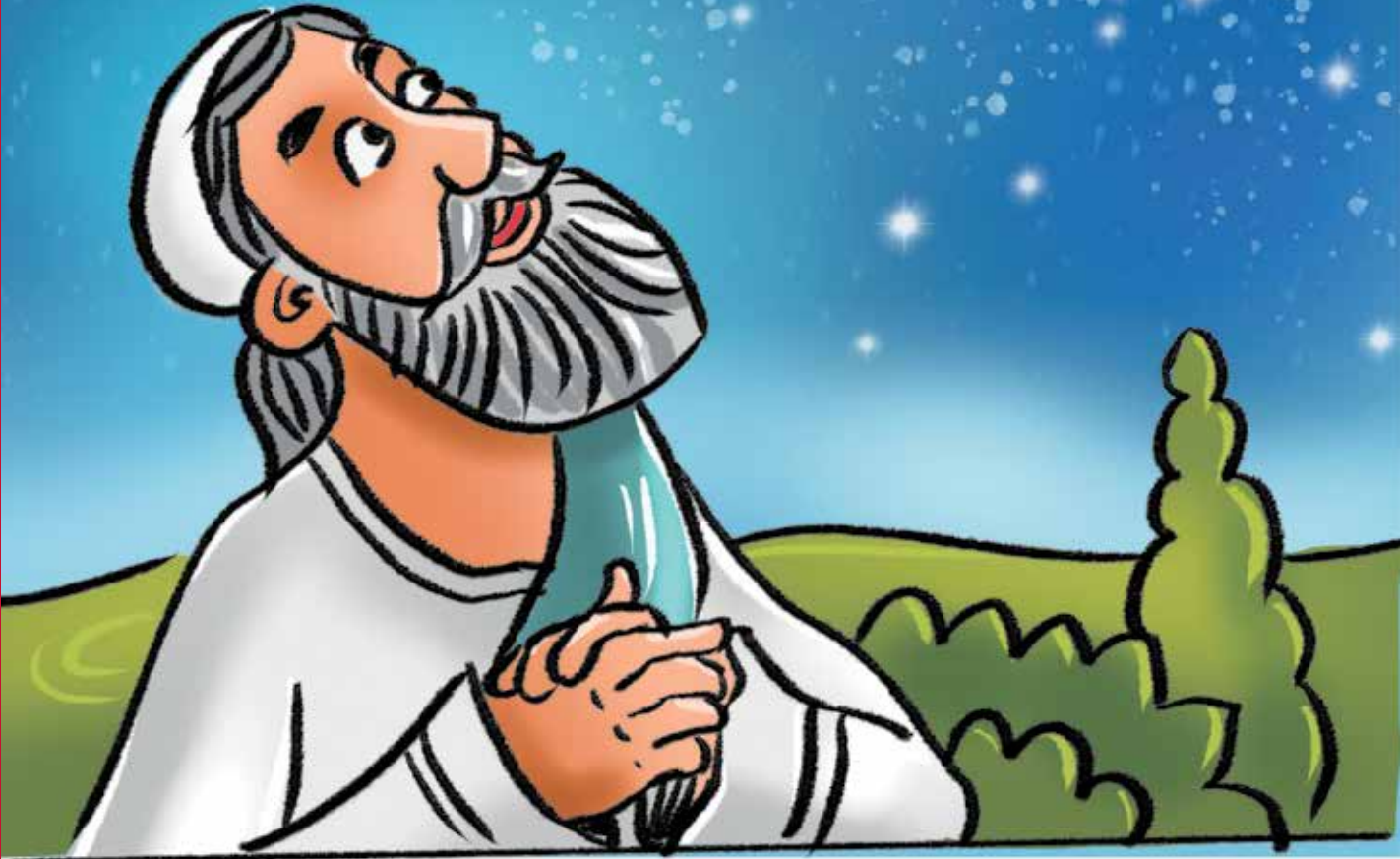




God's Covenant with Abraham

Abraham faced many difficulties in Canaan but God helped him overcome his doubts and kept His promises. This special arrangement between God and Abraham and his children is part of our heritage of faith.



One day God appeared to Abram (Abraham) and promised him as many children as there are stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore.

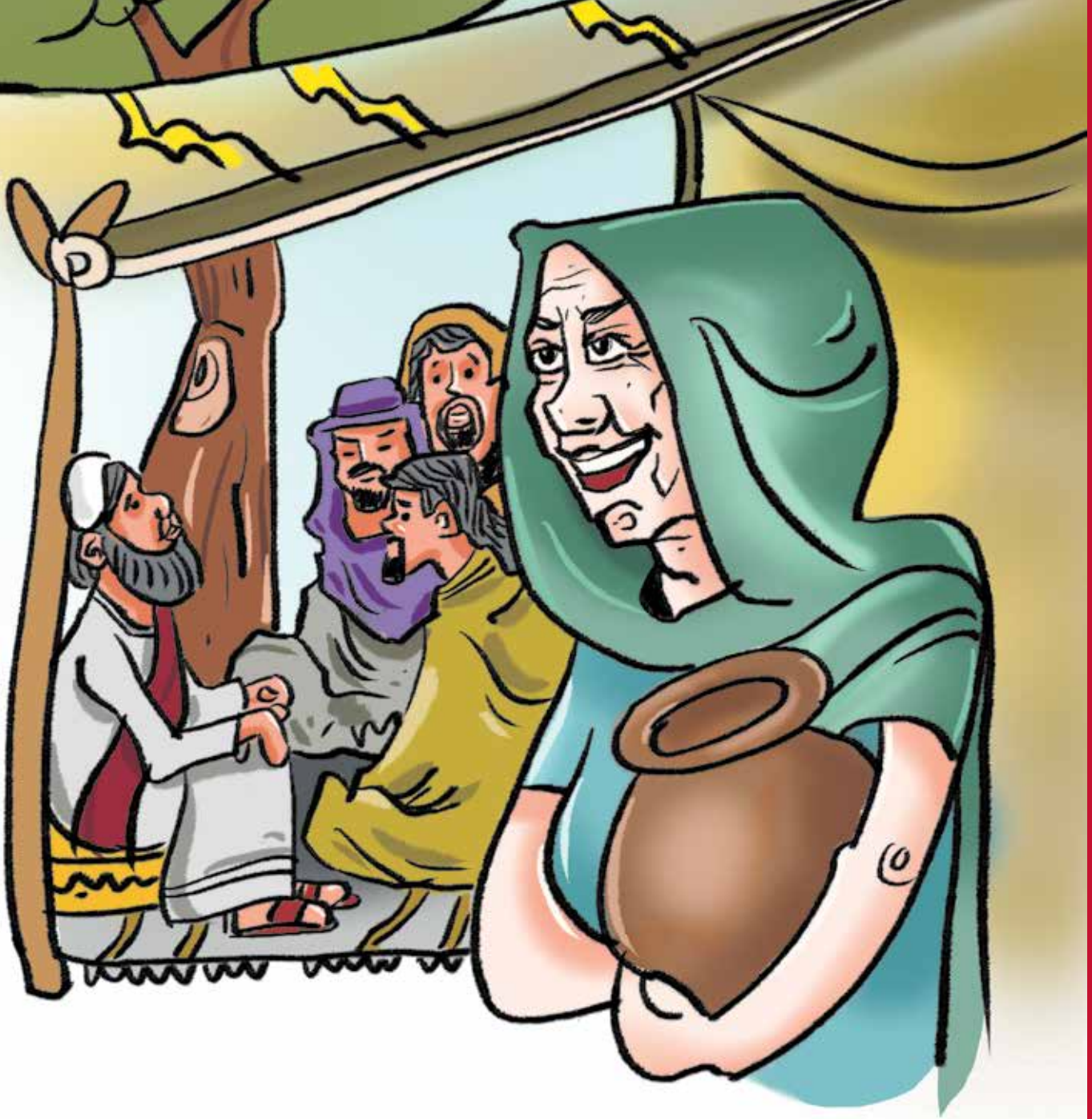
When Abram was 91-years old, God appeared to him again and repeated the promises. He changed his name saying, "Your name shall be Abraham, for you will be the father of many people. And your wife's name will be Sarah. I will bless her and give you a son by her."

Then one hot afternoon, three strangers came to them and asked for food.



Book: *Introducing Covenant Theology* by Michael Horton clarifies the concept of covenant in the Bible. Since biblical times, history is replete with promises made and promises broken. This book unwinds the intricacies of covenant theology, making the complex concept surprisingly simple and accessible to every reader.

Know Now: An *Abrahamic religion* is a religion whose followers believe in Prophet Abraham and his descendants to hold an important role in human spiritual development. The best known Abrahamic religions are Judaism, Christianity and Islam.



After the meal, they said that Sarah would give birth to a son. Sarah who was listening from behind the door laughed, but the strangers said nothing was impossible for God. A year later, Sarah gave birth to a son. They named him Isaac. God had kept His promise to them, and continues to keep His covenant with Abraham's children.



The Lord blessed Sarah, as he had promised, and she became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham when he was old. The boy was born at the time God had said he would be born. Abraham named him Isaac.

Genesis 21: 1-3

Take a pencil and a paper and with help from your parents write down all the gifts God has bestowed upon your family. Then, ask your parents which one of the gifts they think is the greatest of all. Count the gifts and write down the Greatest Gift in bold at the end. Don't be surprised if it is you!





Do you know that a baby is the greatest gift in the parents' life? Match the following parents with their respective children by using one colour for the same family.

MOM



ANNE



SARAH



MARY



EVE



ELIZABETH

CHILD



JESUS



CAIN & ABEL



JOHN
the BAPTIST



MARY



ISAAC

DAD



ADAM



ZECHARIAH



ABRAHAM



JOSEPH



JOACHIM