



# Grace Church Elementary

# Camp Grace

## LESSON 7 SKIT

**Principle:** Walking by faith. Sin affects everyone.

**Bible Character:** Abram

**Scripture Reference:** Genesis 12:1-8, 17-20



### PERSONAL PREPARATION:

Before this weekend, read through Genesis 12. God called Abram to go to Canaan, the land promised to him. Abram obeyed God's command, trusting in God's promise to him despite not knowing what would come next. God's faithfulness to the promise He had made with Abram is reflected in His call to Abram; God is not only thinking about Abram's life, but his descendants as well. Following the flood and God's grievance toward humanity, this call provides hope for mankind to experience God's favor.

Think about how Abram responded in faith to God's commands, and the blessing that followed after his obedience. How often do you follow in complete faith, even when the path is unknown?

Abram was not perfect, though. He later gave in to fear of man instead of trusting in what God had already promised him. He stumbled in his faith in a time of doubt and fear by lying. His sin went on to affect all of those around him. When you face a trial in your life, how do you have a strong foundation of faith? Do you continue to trust God or do you lose sight of who God is and give in to fear? Think about how you respond when situations of fear and doubt come into your life. If you have trouble keeping your faith in God, pray for God to strengthen your faith and draw you closer to Him.



### BIG GROUP TIME - 35-40 minutes

#### 1) Run-through/Prayer

Run-through order of service (assigned parts, transitions, slides for music and skit, video if applicable, etc), assign door greeters, pray, mic check

#### 2) Welcome Cabins

Band member says, "Welcome to Camp Grace!" before intro song

#### 3) Intro Song

## 4) Camp Competition

### Bucket Head

Have one camp counselor and one camper from each cabin come up to the front. Line the camp counselors up side-by-side and tell them to kneel on both knees. Place the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade campers 3 feet away and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade campers 5 feet away. Give camp counselors a small bucket and tell them to place it on top of their head. Give each camper a bowl of ping-pong balls. Explain that the first camper to toss 3 balls in the bucket wins the camp banner. Use masking tape to mark line for each age level to stand.

## 5) Worship Set

### Worship Connector

Have your parents ever told you they were taking you somewhere, but you had no idea where you were going? Did you trust your parents with what they wanted you to do? (Allow responses.) It can be kind of hard to trust your parents with a situation like this, but you know they love you and they only want the best for you. God loves us too and only wants what is best for us. He wants you to trust Him with your life and follow Him. That means making choices everyday to have faith and glorify Him, instead of choosing to sin. God desires for us to choose to follow Him over choosing sin. As we sing this last song, think about how much God desires for you to trust in Him and worship Him.

## 6) Skit

Sin Affects Others

ProPresenter:

None

Characters:

Storyteller

Staff Member #1: Detective Badger

Staff member #2: Jetterbob

Props:

Detective badge

Detective costume

Notepad

## Script

As the worship team leaves the stage, the storyteller enters.

Storyteller: Good morning, campers. I want to talk to you about a guy from the Bible named Abram. Later, we're going to learn that God changes Abram's name to Abraham. But for now, we'll stick with Abram. God selected Abram for a very special purpose. One day God told Abram to leave his country, his people, and his father's household to go to a land God would show him. Can you imagine that? What if God told you to leave your family and friends? It would be a difficult thing to do. God told Abram to leave and didn't give him any clue of where he was going. Abram had to completely trust God for each step of the journey. Abram knew that God had a plan for his life and he trusted God. That's incredible faith.

Detective Badger: Excuse me M'am/Sir. I'm sorry to interrupt. (Flash badge.) Detective Badger, here. I need to ask you a few questions. (Take out notebook and pen.)

Storyteller: It's nice to meet you Detective Badger. Do you need to talk to me right now? I was right in the middle of telling a story.

Detective Badger: A crime has been committed. The sooner we gather the evidence, the sooner the crime is solved. Now, I hear that they call you "The Storyteller." That's interesting. So tell me, Storyteller, will I need to take you down town and question you with a lie detector test?

Storyteller: Oh, storyteller is not a nickname. It's what I do sometimes here at Camp Grace. I tell stories. I don't make the stories up. They are true stories from God's Word: the Bible.

Detective Badger: I see. Tell me, Storyteller, where were you last evening at approximately 8:00 p.m.?

Storyteller: Sure. I was in the staff lounge. It's a big room where we watch TV, play games and you know, just hang out together.

Detective Badger: Is there anyone who can support your alibi?

Storyteller: Let's see, all the lifeguards were there. Nurse Lovepain was there, too. Oh, and Jetterbob was there. Jetterbob is the camp custodian. We were all watching this hilarious movie. Even Nurse Lovepain laughed. So, you know it was a funny movie. She never laughs. I remember this one time when we were all laughing so hard about one of the counselors falling into a huge mud puddle. It was the funniest thing. She just stood there, face all solemn and ...

Detective Badger: Just the facts ma'am/sir. Just the facts.

Storyteller: Oh, I'm sorry. I tend to get a little carried away.

Detective Badger: You say that all the lifeguards from Camp Grace were there with you in this staff lounge.

Storyteller: That's correct.

Detective Badger: Interesting. Did you know that all the lifeguards are now in the infirmary?

Storyteller: Oh no! What happened?

Detective Badger: That's what we're here to find out.

Storyteller: Well, at least Nurse Lovepain is taking care of them. They're in good hands.

Detective Badger: That's where you'd be wrong. Nurse Lovepain is in a sick bed, herself. It seems that everyone who attended your little gathering in the staff lounge wound up in the infirmary. Everyone, that is, except for Jetterbob and you. Where can I find this Jetterbob, Storyteller. If in fact, there is such a character?

Storyteller: I just saw him before coming out to tell the story. He should be close by. Let me just call him. Jetterbob! Jetterbob! (Jetterbob runs on stage.)

Jetterbob: I'm here. Did someone make a mess?

Detective Badger: Someone made a mess, all right, Jetterbob. And I'm hoping you'll help us clean it up.

Jetterbob: Oh, well you've come to the right place. I clean up a mess with the best of them. Yep! Cleaning is what I do best. How can I help you?

Detective Badger: You can start by telling me where you were at approximately 8:00 p.m. last evening.

Jetterbob: I had just finished cleaning the cafeteria and I headed over to the staff lounge to watch a movie.

Detective Badger: Cafeteria, huh? Jetterbob, I wonder if you can explain the fact that everyone who watched this movie except for you and the Storyteller are in the infirmary with food poisoning.

Jetterbob: Food poisoning?

Detective Badger: That's correct: food poisoning. Tell me, Jetterbob, did you happen to bring food from the cafeteria to this little gathering in the staff lounge.

Jetterbob: Well, I...um...I

Detective Badger: You, what? Spit it out Jetterbob.

Jetterbob: I didn't mean to hurt anybody. (Very distraught.) I didn't know. I just didn't know.

Detective Badger: Pull yourself together, man. Tell us what you did.

Jetterbob: I was cleaning the cafeteria. A big platter of sandwiches was sitting on one of the tables. Egg salad sandwiches...just sitting there. I know I should have asked Ms. Bea about the sandwiches. I never take food without asking her, but she was nowhere around. I was hungry and I like a snack while watching a movie. I took the platter of sandwiches to the staff lounge.

Detective Badger: Now we're getting somewhere. Ms. Bea reported that a platter of sandwiches had been taken from the cafeteria. They were sandwiches that she planned to throw away because she found out that the eggs she used were past the expiration date. She reported the sandwiches missing this morning. Shortly after that, Nurse Lovepain reported an outbreak of food poisoning. It appears, Jetterbob, that you stole the tainted sandwiches from said cafeteria and poisoned your fellow staff members.

Jetterbob: I shouldn't have taken the sandwiches without asking Ms. Bea. I didn't think it would harm anyone. I'm really sorry. But I didn't poison them on purpose. You have to believe me.

Detective Badger: Perhaps I could believe your story if it weren't for the fact that you and Storyteller, here, are the only people who did not end up in the infirmary.

Storyteller: Oh, I can explain. I'm on a low carb diet. You know it's all the rage. I eat lots of vegetables, protein, and...

Detective Badger: Just the facts, please. Just the facts. And Jetterbob, what about you? How did you escape the food poisoning?

Jetterbob: I never got a chance to eat a sandwich. As soon as I sat the platter down, the lifeguards started a contest to see who could stuff the most egg salad sandwich in their mouths. I think Nurse Lovepain only ate one sandwich.

Detective Badger: Case solved. Jetterbob, I'll need you to come with me to the infirmary.

Jetterbob: I want to go. I need to tell my friends how sorry I am. If I had not made such an unwise choice by taking the sandwiches without permission, none of this would have happened. I'm so sorry.

Detective Badger: Storyteller, I'm sure I'll be seeing you around. Remember, one person's crime affects us all. (Detective Badger and Jetterbob exit.)

Storyteller: Wow! That was exciting. Isn't it strange how one bad choice affected so many people? Well, we were talking before Detective Badger came by about Abram. Who remembers what we said about Abram? (Give time for a response.) Right, we said that Abram had great faith and trusted God for each step of his journey. Well, even a man of great faith like Abram can get off the path God has for him. Abram met up with some bad guys. He was afraid of being killed. He tried to fix the situation on his own and failed to simply trust God. Abram lied to the bad guys. His lie caused great harm to others. Abram's sin affected others. Our sin affects others, too, just as Jetterbob's choice to take the platter of sandwiches affected so many staff members. You're going to learn more about how sin affects others in your cabins. I need to go to the infirmary and see how I can help out there.



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