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ABRAHAM AND SARAH

God promised Abram and his wife Sarai that one day they would be parents, even though they were old and had no children. God wasn't sure that Abram understood. So that night He took him outside, and said, "Do you see all the stars that are in the sky?" "That is how many children you will have". Quite a few years later when Abram was ninety-nine years old (older than even your grandparents) the Lord decided to change Abram's name to Abraham, which means "father of many." He also changed Sarai's name to Sarah. God told them again that they would be parents and that they would have a boy. This time Abraham laughed so hard he fell on his face! It was hard to believe that he and Sarah would have a child in their old age.

One day three visitors came to Abraham's house. He gave them something to eat and asked them to relax. While the visitors were eating, they asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" Abraham thought this was a little strange, but he replied, "She's in the other room". Then one of the men spoke and said, "I will come back to see you at this time next year, and Sarah will have a son." Sarah who was listening behind the door, covered her mouth and laughed to herself because she thought that she was too old. Later when the visitors had left, Abraham and Sarah realized that the man who had told them this was indeed God.

A year later Sarah did have a son. She and Abraham named him Isaac, which means "he laughs." They were very excited, and remembered to thank God for Isaac.

1. What did God promise Abram?

2. What does Abram's new name Abraham means?

3. Why did Sarah and Abraham laughed when they heard that they would have a son?

4. When was their son born?

5. Give the name of their son and the meaning of his name.

Sequence the story's events by writing 1 through 5.

___ Isaac was born a year later.

___ They told Abraham that he would have a son.

___ When the three visitors left, Sarah and Abraham realized that God had visited them.

___ One day three stranger visited Abraham

___ God told Abram that he would be the father of many.