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The future of Sunday school + family ministry is NOW.



No doubt about it, the world is changing. Families used to go to church every week. Kids used to have longer attention spans. Teachers used to have more time to prepare. And didn't our budgets used to be bigger?

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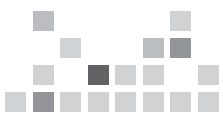
- Families learn the same Bible passage in age-appropriate ways.
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God Tests Abraham

Genesis 22:1-18

Obedience is something young children are working on. They're just beginning to understand that certain actions lead to certain responses. Use this lesson to help your children understand that following directions brings gladness and satisfaction for both the one making the request and the one obeying, and we obey God because he knows what's best.



► **Bible Point**
Obey God.

LESSON	WHAT CHILDREN DO	SUPPLIES	EASY PREP
1 Getting Started <i>about 5 min.</i>	Welcome and Celebrate Welcome each other, and praise God through music.	CD player Teacher Pack: CD	
2 Key Verse Activity <i>about 10 min.</i>	Obedience Steps Follow directions while wearing tissue boxes on their feet.	Bible, 2 empty tissue boxes, scissors	In 2 tissue boxes, cut holes large enough for children to get their feet through with their shoes on.
3 Bible Exploration <i>about 15 min.</i>	Puppy Pointers Get father and son puppets from Theo.	CD player, Theo puppet, tape, scissors, 2 craft sticks, rubber band Teacher Pack: CD, "Abraham and Isaac" figures 	Cut out the Abraham and Isaac figures, and tape a craft stick to each one to create puppets. Use a rubber band to attach the puppets to Theo's paw.
	Bible Time: Where Is the Sacrifice? Listen to puppets tell about Abraham and Isaac.	Bible, blocks, "Abraham and Isaac" puppets from the Puppy Pointers activity	

Key Verse
"If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him" (James 1:5).

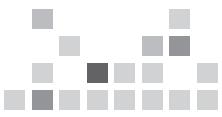
Weaving Faith Into Life
Children will obey God and the adults in charge of them.

Bold text within the lesson is spoken text.



LESSON	WHAT CHILDREN DO	SUPPLIES	EASY PREP
<p style="text-align: center;">4 Weaving Faith Into Life <i>about 20 min.</i> <i>(Choose 2 centers.)</i></p>	<p>Center 1: Obedient Paths Glue paper pieces to a path showing how they'll obey.</p>	My Bible Hugs, construction paper, several pairs of scissors, glue	Remove the Lesson 1 pages from each My Bible Hugs student book, and write children's names on them.
	<p>Center 2: Obedience Snack Give up half of their snacks as an act of obedience.</p>	0-shaped cereal, resealable plastic bags, stickers, antibacterial gel (optional)	Arrange with another leader for your children to come to his or her group to share the snacks.
	<p>Center 3: Dramatic Obedience Retell what they learned about Abraham and Isaac with puppets.</p>	"Abraham and Isaac" puppets from the Puppy Pointers activity	
	<p>Center 4: Obedience Sheep Make 3-D sheep from paper bags.</p>	2 white paper lunch bags per child, newspaper, white yarn, black markers, tape, scissors, copies of the white strips handout and the sheep ears handout (at the end of the lesson)	Copy and cut handout pages so each child has 2 strips and 2 ears.
<p style="text-align: center;">5 Lasting Impressions <i>about 10 min.</i></p>	<p>Daily Challenges Talk about how to share what they learned with their families.</p>	My Bible Hugs	
	<p>Action Prayer Say a prayer together.</p>		
	<p>Weaving Faith at Home Talk about how to share what they learned with their families.</p>	My Bible Hugs	Tear out the Parent Letter in the back of each My Bible Hugs book to give to parents when they pick up their children.

Bold text within the lesson is spoken text.



God Tests Abraham

Genesis 22:1-18

BIBLE BACKGROUND
FOR LEADERS

A note about this lesson: You might be surprised that you've been asked to teach this Bible passage to children this age. Rest assured that for this age level, we've chosen to focus on the importance of God's sovereignty and Abraham's obedience. Help kids understand that God's will is best for them.

A Preface for Today's Material

This account may seem horrifying if one doesn't study it carefully. It's hard to understand how our good God could command a parent to sacrifice a child. But if we examine the text, we can take comfort in knowing that God never intended for Abraham to sacrifice Isaac. The whole event was designed to test Abraham; it was a chance for him to grow his faith and learn about God's faithfulness.

Abraham Obeys God's Command to Sacrifice His Son

Isaac was the embodiment of all of God's promises to Abraham. However, no matter how surprised or saddened he must have been, Abraham obeyed. The Bible says he set out the next day. When Abraham knew what God wanted him to do, he set out to do it.

Abraham's faith in God and his willingness to obey are truly amazing. Not only was he willing to sacrifice his son, but he maintained faith in God's promise about Isaac. He said to his servants, "We will come back to you" (Genesis 22:5). Somehow Abraham was confident that in spite of this recent command, God would preserve Isaac, through whom God had promised to make Abraham's descendants as numerous as the stars in the heavens!

Abraham and Isaac Journey to the Place of Sacrifice

It took Abraham and Isaac three days to travel about 50 miles over rough, mountainous terrain. During the

trip, Abraham had time to think. Certainly questions flooded his mind: "What if God really does let Isaac die? What will I tell Sarah? Might this God I'm serving abandon me now after all these promises?" Abraham could easily have justified disobedience in this case—after all, this was the child God had promised to him and Sarah; maybe the voice he had heard wasn't God's after all. But whatever thoughts went through his mind, Abraham never swerved from his steadfast obedience.

Isaac Also Obeyed God

The Bible tells us nothing of Isaac's thoughts or feelings during this trip. He must have noticed that his father was behaving strangely. But Isaac showed faith, too. He submitted to being placed on the altar in obedience to God's command.

The Jesus Connection

God loves us and he loved Abraham. God's test helped Abraham realize his own commitment to God, and the tests in our lives can help strengthen and deepen our faith, too.

How can you trust God in the middle of trials and difficulty? Invite God into your decisions and challenges and trust him to lead you no matter what the road ahead looks like. You can write your prayer below.





Welcome and Celebrate Supplies


CD player

Teacher Pack

CD: "Good Morning and Welcome" (track 2),
"As I Have Loved You"
(John 13:34) (track 5)

1 GETTING STARTED


Welcome and Celebrate

 **Tip** Consistently use the same signal to announce a transition to the next activity. You could flip the lights off and on, use a train whistle, have a puppet rustling inside a bag, or sing cleanup songs. Keep it simple, consistent, and fun.

What You'll Do

As the children arrive, greet each one with a smile. When it's time to begin, use your signal to gather the children together in a circle on the floor.

Lead children in singing "Good Morning and Welcome" (track 2 on the CD). As children sing, encourage them to greet their friends using actions mentioned in the song: shake hands, high five, bow down, and group hug.


 **Good morning and welcome to God's house.**
Good morning and welcome, my friend.
Good morning and welcome to God's house.
Now [shake hands] and greet a new friend.

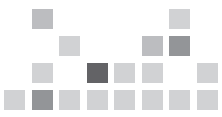
[Shake hands; shake hands.]
[Shake hands] **and greet a new friend.**
[Shake hands; shake hands.]
[Shake hands] **and greet a new friend.**

(Repeat from beginning with different actions.)

Say: **Today we'll learn why we ► OBEY GOD. That means we do what God says is best. Let's sing about God's command that we love one another.**

Lead children in singing "As I Have Loved You" (John 13:34) (track 5 on the CD). Encourage them to shout "Love one another" at the appropriate times during the song and to pat the backs of the children near them.

 **A new command I give to you:**
Love one another as I have loved you.
A new command I give to you:
Love one another as I have loved you.
Love one another.
Love one another.
Love one another.
Love one another.
(Repeat.)



A new command I give to you:
Love one another as I have loved you.
A new command I give to you:
Love one another as I have loved you,
As I have loved you,
As I have loved you.

“As I Have Loved You” (John 13:34) by Jay Stocker. © 2006 Group Publishing, Inc. All rights reserved.

Say: **This week we’ll learn that we ► OBEY GOD because he knows what’s best for us. We obeyed God today as we sang to him and showed love to our friends. Today we’ll hear how a man named Abraham obeyed God, even when it was hard.**

2 KEY VERSE
ACTIVITY

Obedience Steps

What You’ll Do ■■■■■■

Have children form a circle and sit down. Open your Bible to James 1:5, and show children the words. Tell kids the Bible is God’s special book.

Say: **Our Key Verse from the Bible says, “If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him” (James 1:5). This means we can ask God to help us know how to make good choices and he’ll help us. Let’s say our Key Verse together.** Lead the children in saying the simplified Key Verse with you: **Ask God for wisdom (James 1:5).**

Say: **Today we’re learning to ► OBEY GOD. Our Key Verse tells us that we can even ask God to help us obey him, our parents, and our teachers. Let’s play a game to practice obeying.**

Invite one child to slip the tissue boxes onto his or her feet like shoes. Have the other children think of two directions that child must obey—for example: walk backward, go to the door, hop on one foot, spin around in a circle, or take three steps forward. Then have the child say the Key Verse: Ask God for wisdom (James 1:5). Let kids take turns wearing the tissue boxes as shoes while the other children give them three directions, including the final direction to say the Key Verse.

Talk With Kids ■■■■

Lead children in this discussion.

Ask:

- What was it like trying to obey our commands in this activity?
- How was that like or unlike obeying God, our parents, and our teachers?



Obedience Steps Supplies

Bible
2 empty tissue boxes
scissors

Obedience Steps Easy Prep

In 2 tissue boxes, cut holes large enough for children to get their feet through with their shoes on.





Puppy Pointers Supplies

CD player
 Theo puppet
 tape
 scissors
 2 craft sticks
 rubber band
Teacher Pack
 CD: "Here, Theo"
 (track 4)
 "Abraham and Isaac"
 figures

Puppy Pointers Easy Prep

Cut out the Abraham and Isaac figures, and tape a craft stick to each one to create puppets. Use a rubber band to attach the puppets to Theo's paw.

- Why do you like that God will help you obey?

Say: **Some of the directions we gave you were not easy to follow, were they? But when we're following God's directions, we can ask God for help. Today we'll learn more about what it means to ► OBEY GOD, and we'll see how a man and his son obeyed.**

3 BIBLE EXPLORATION

Puppy Pointers

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Say: **Listen, everyone, Theo's coming! He has something to show us. Let's find out what it is.** Play "Here, Theo" (track 4 on the CD), and bring out Theophilus the FaithRetriever.

Theo: Hi, everybody!

Teacher: Hello, Theo! It's so good to see you at church with us today. What do you have there?

Theo: I brought puppets of a man and a boy because you said you were going to read in the Bible about a father and a son.

Teacher: That was so thoughtful of you, Theo.

Theo: Thank you. I try to be. My dad tells me to be kind to others, and I know I'm supposed to obey him.

Teacher: That's just like our Bible Point today, Theo. We're learning that God wants us to obey what he tells us. Friends, let's tell Theo our Bible Point for today.

(Lead children in saying the Bible Point for Theo: ► **OBEY GOD.**)

Theo: Wow, just like my dad says to obey him.

Teacher: That's right, Theo! And one way we can obey God is to obey our parents and teachers, too.

Theo: Thanks for sharing that with me. My dad told me to come straight home after I brought these puppets to you, so I better go now.

Teacher: Okay. Thanks for stopping by to see us and for the puppets. (Remove the puppets from Theo's paw.) Let's say goodbye to Theo.

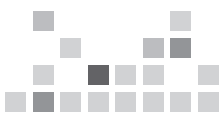
Encourage the children to wave or say goodbye to Theo. Then put Theo away in a safe place for next week's use.

Talk With Kids ■■■■

Lead children in this discussion.

Ask:

- Why do you think it's important that Theo obeyed his dad?
- Tell some ways you obey your parents.
- Why do you think it's important to obey your parents?



Say: Today we'll hear about a man in the Bible who obeyed God like Theo obeys his dad. The man knew it was important to ► OBEY GOD. And today as we see how he obeyed, we'll learn that God wants us to obey our parents and other adults, too.

Bible Time: Where Is the Sacrifice?

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Open your Bible to Genesis 22, and show children the words. Tell children that the Bible is God's special book.

Say: Today we'll learn what it means to ► OBEY GOD.

Begin with the Abraham and Isaac puppets behind your back, one in each hand. Every time you read the part of Abraham, present the Abraham puppet and use a deep voice as you speak. Every time you read the part of Isaac, present the Isaac puppet and use a higher-pitched voice for a young boy.

Say: **Abraham was a man who loved God and did what God told him to do. Let's find out how Abraham obeyed God when he took his son, Isaac, up the mountain to worship God.**

Leader: **God had promised Abraham a son for a very long time. Tell a friend near you about something you waited a long time for.** Allow time. Then say: **Abraham waited for years and years to have a son, and he loved Isaac so much.**

Isaac: **My dad played with me and talked to me; he taught me about God and how it pleases God when we obey him.**

Leader: **Tell a friend near you the Bible Point: ► OBEY GOD.** Allow time.

Abraham: **I was so happy when God finally gave me a son. I loved my son, Isaac, so much. I wanted to obey God, and I taught my son, Isaac, to obey God, too. But one day, God asked me to do a very hard thing. He said, "Abraham, if you really love me, give Isaac back to me."**

Leader: **Think about a time you had to give something back—maybe a treat or special toy.** Allow time. **What was it like to give up that thing?** Let several children answer.

Isaac: **Well, my dad, Abraham, obeyed, and we started the trip to the mountain that God told my dad to go to.** Have the kids stand and march as if traveling up a steep mountain.

Abraham: **I knew God loved me and I could trust him, even though this would be hard. I knew it was important for me to obey God.**

Leader: **When Isaac and Abraham got to the mountain, they made a special pile of stones and wood.** Have kids build a small altar out of blocks. Make sure each child is able to put at least one or two blocks on the pile.



Bible Time: Where Is the Sacrifice? Supplies

- Bible
- blocks
- "Abraham and Isaac" puppets from the "Puppy Pointers" activity





Isaac: **God knew that my dad obeyed, so God rewarded him. God put an animal in the bushes that we could give to God instead, so my dad didn't have to give me up after all.**

Talk With Kids ■■■■

Lead children in this discussion.

Ask:

- **Tell about a time your parents rewarded you for obeying them.**
- **What things can you do that would please God?**

Say: **God was very happy that Abraham obeyed him. Like Abraham did, it's important that we ► OBEY GOD when he asks us to do something for him. One way we can ► OBEY GOD is by obeying our parents. Let's learn more about obeying God.**

4 WEAVING FAITH INTO LIFE

Choose at least two of the learning centers to help reinforce today's Bible lesson. Gather the needed materials, and put the supplies in an out-of-sight area until you're ready for them. Allow the children to choose which center they'd like to explore first. Then circulate among the children as they create and explore. Encourage them to make connections between their activities and the Bible by asking them the questions included with each center's description.

■ CENTER 1:

Obedient Paths

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Give each child a Lesson 1 page from My Bible Hugs, a sheet of construction paper, and a pair of scissors. Set glue on the table for children to share.

Say: **Today we heard how Abraham obeyed God and why we want to ► OBEY GOD. Let's use our My Bible Fun pages to show some ways we can obey God this week.**

Point out each of the pictures, and help kids discuss why each picture shows a way to obey God. Then have kids choose one of the options. Say: **Cut small pieces from your construction paper, and glue them on the path from the boy and girl** (point out the top picture symbolizing the children in your group) **to the way you want to ► OBEY GOD this week.** Check for understanding, and then help kids cut small pieces. Help each child glue pieces along one of the paths.

Talk With Kids ■■■■

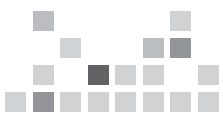
Lead children in this discussion.

Center 1: Obedient Paths Supplies

My Bible Hugs
construction paper
several pairs of scissors
glue

Center 1: Obedient Paths Easy Prep

Remove the Lesson 1
pages from each My
Bible Hugs student
book, and write
children's names on
them.



Ask:

- Tell why you chose the way you chose.
- What can you do to remember to ► OBEY GOD this week?

Say: God is happy when we obey our moms and dads because when we do, we also ► OBEY GOD. Abraham obeyed God when it was really, really hard, and so can we. Let's remember that God wants what's best for us, so it's always best to obey him.

■ **CENTER 2:**

Obedience Snack

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Say: Today we heard how Abraham obeyed God, and for our snack activity, we'll practice obeying.

Give each child two resealable plastic bags, and let children decorate the bags with stickers. As children work, put some O-shaped cereal in each bag. Each child will keep one bag and give one away to a child in the other group.

Say: Just as Abraham was willing to give up his son, Isaac, to be obedient, we're going to give up one of our snacks. When we ► OBEY GOD, it makes him very happy. Take your children to deliver their extra snacks to the chosen group.

When you return to your room, have children clean their hands and then sit down for the snack. Lead them in a prayer, and then let them eat their cereal.

Talk With Kids ■■■■

Lead children in this discussion.

Ask:

- What was it like to give up one of your snacks?
- Why do you obey God even when it's hard?

Say: It's hard to give up things we love, like it may have been for you to give up your snacks. Abraham was ready to give up his son when God asked him to. Like Abraham, we can ► OBEY GOD by doing what he asks us to do even when it's hard.

■ **CENTER 3:**

Dramatic Obedience

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Say: Today we're learning all kinds of ways we can ► OBEY GOD. Let's use the Abraham and Isaac puppets to help us remember how Abraham obeyed God.



Center 2: Obedience Snack Supplies

O-shaped cereal
resealable plastic bags
stickers
antibacterial gel
(optional)

! ALLERGY ALERT

Center 2: Obedience Snack Easy Prep

Arrange with another leader for your children to come to his or her group to share the snacks.

Center 3: Dramatic Obedience Supplies

"Abraham and Isaac" puppets from the Puppy Pointers activity





Center 4: Obedience Sheep Supplies

2 white paper lunch
bags per child
newspaper
white yarn
black markers
tape
scissors
copies of the white
strips handout and the
sheep ears handout (at
the end of the lesson)

Center 4: Obedience Sheep Easy Prep

Copy and cut handout
pages so each child has
2 strips and 2 ears.

Allow the children to take turns using the “Abraham and Isaac” puppets to retell how Abraham obeyed God. After each child has a turn, have him or her tell a way he or she will obey God this week. Have the other children applaud each of the participants for their efforts.

Say: **When we have a choice to ► OBEY GOD and obey our parents, we can remember how Abraham obeyed. It makes God happy when we obey. Let’s do our best to ► OBEY GOD this week.**

■ CENTER 4:

Obedience Sheep

What You’ll Do ■■■■■■

Say: **Let’s make a craft to help us practice obeying.**

Give each child two white paper lunch sacks and a couple of sheets of newspaper. Have children crumple the newspaper and stuff it into one of the sacks.

Say: **Please listen to my directions and obey them so your project will look like a sheep when we’re done.**

First, pull your second sack over the open end of your first sack. Help children pull the second sack over the open end of the sack with the newspaper inside. Put a line of tape around the inside edge to hold the sack in place.

Say: **Now tie a piece of yarn around it.** Show children how to tie the yarn tightly around the sacks about 4 inches from one end to create a head. Then help them as they work.

Distribute the paper strips and ears. Show kids how to bend the ends of the paper strips. Then say: **Put tape on the bent parts of your paper strips, and stick them to the bottom of your bag to make legs.** Help each child tape two legs to the bottom of his or her bag.

Say: **Finally, tape two ears to the sides of your sheep’s head.** Have each child tape one ear to each side of his or her sheep’s head. Then have kids draw eyes and mouths with black markers.

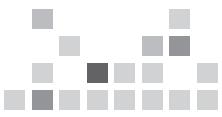
Talk With Kids ■■■■

Lead children in this discussion.

Ask:

- **Why do you think I asked you to obey my directions when we were making our sheep?**
- **Why is it good for you to obey God?**

Say: **What God asked Abraham to do might not have made much sense to Abraham, but even so, Abraham obeyed God. And when he did, God made sure everything turned out as it should. When we ► OBEY GOD, he takes care of us, too.**



5 LASTING IMPRESSIONS

Daily Challenges

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

After the children have cleaned up their centers, bring everyone back to a circle area on the floor. Review the lesson activities and the Bible Point, and then encourage the children to share what they remember about what they learned from the Bible today.

Also use this time to challenge kids in their faith. Encourage them to choose a Daily Challenge for applying today's lesson to their lives this week. Use this challenge for encouraging your children's growing relationships with Jesus.

Talk With Kids ■■■■

Say: **Today we learned that it's important for us to ► OBEY GOD. I would like each of you to choose a way to obey God this week.**

Give kids these two challenges to choose from:

- **Share a toy with a friend, and then tell how Abraham obeyed God by giving up Isaac.**
- ■ **Obey God by doing the thing you committed to on the front of the My Bible Hugs page.**

Say: **If you want to share a toy, circle the choice with one dot. If you want to follow through on your My Bible Fun commitment, circle the choice with two dots.** Check that each child circled a choice on his or her My Bible Hugs page. Make sure you tell kids the challenge you choose. Your commitment will inspire children and will give them an opportunity to see God at work in your life as well as in theirs!

Action Prayer

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Form a circle, and have the children sit down.

Say: **Tell God how you want to obey him this week.** Allow time. **Ask him to help you obey.** Allow time. Then close the prayer.



Daily Challenges Supplies

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Tear out the letter to parents in the back of each My Bible Hugs book to give to parents when they pick up their children.

Weaving Faith at Home

Send the letter to parents home with your kids or give it to parents when they pick up their children. This is a great way to show families they're important to your church and to support their role as spiritual leaders to their children.

Have children take home their My Bible Hugs pages whether they worked on them or not. Have the children tell their parents the challenge they committed to in the "Daily Challenges" activity. Encourage the parents to help their kids fulfill this commitment during the week. By working together and focusing on the same goals, you and parents can help children weave faith into their lives!

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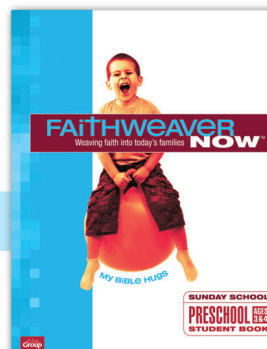
	BIBLE CONTENT/SCRIPTURE	KEY VERSE	BIBLE POINT
WEEK 1	God Tests Abraham (Genesis 22:1-18)	"If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him" (James 1:5).	Obey God.
WEEK 2	Isaac Marries Rebekah (Genesis 24)		Pray to God.
WEEK 3	Jacob Deceives Esau and Isaac (Genesis 25:27-34; 27:1-40)	"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).	God wants us to tell the truth.
WEEK 4	Jacob Marries Leah and Rachel (Genesis 29:15-30)		God helps us.
WEEK 5	Joseph Dreams Disturbing Dreams (Genesis 37:1-11)		Families show God's love.
WEEK 6	Joseph's Brothers Sell Him Into Slavery (Genesis 37:12-36)	"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men" (Colossians 3:23).	God wants us to do what's right.
WEEK 7	Pharaoh Puts Joseph in Charge (Genesis 39:20-41:49)		We can serve God.
WEEK 8	Joseph Forgives His Brothers (Genesis 42-45)		God wants us to forgive.
WEEK 9	God Protects Moses (Exodus 1:1-2:10)		God protects us.
WEEK 10	Moses Meets God at the Burning Bush (Exodus 2:11-3:20)		God can use us.
WEEK 11	The Israelites Receive Cruel Treatment (Exodus 5:1-6:1)	"I can do everything through him who gives me strength" (Philippians 4:13).	God is with us when we're sad.
WEEK 12	God Sends Plagues on Egypt (Exodus 7:8-10:29)		God is powerful.
WEEK 13	The Israelites Escape From Egypt (Exodus 11:1-12:36)		Jesus sets us free.

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