

Abraham & Lot



Introduction

This week's lesson comes from Genesis 13:2-18. It is the account of Abraham and Lot separating and going different ways. The key lessons this passage teaches us, and our children are:

1. Our choices have consequences.
2. God honours us when we put others first.
3. God's ways are more important than how things physically look.
4. We need to be careful who we get close to.

Lesson Guide

Before you begin this week's lesson, set out a selection of crackers. Make sure some are whole and some broken. You could also use some fruit, some that look perfect and others that look bruised or old.

Invite your child to pick a snack from the plate. Likely they will choose the whole or best-looking snack.

Read Genesis 13:2-18 or paraphrase it in a way your child understands.

Ask, "Why did Abraham and Lot's men argued?" They all wanted what was best for themselves. Give example of when we might want the best for ourselves and second best for someone else. Share how God wants the best for us. God gave us the best when Jesus came to rescue us.

Ask, "Who had the first choice? Why did he choose that land?" Because it looked best. Play a game by giving your child this or that choices. You can have them sit, stand, or run to opposite sides of the room. For example, which fruit is best, apples or bananas?

Share how all our choices have consequences.

Talk about how we should pray and ask God to help us to make wise choices. Explain that sometimes things look good to our eyes but are actually bad for us.

Before you begin, inject an apple or banana with dark food coloring. From the outside it will still look perfect. Ask your child if this fruit looks nice to eat. Then cut or peel the fruit to reveal the dark inside. Remind them how we should not judge things simply by how they look.

Lot saw the green grass and thought it would be the best land. Explain that while it looked good, it was near bad people who did bad things. We will discuss more on Sodom and Gomorrah in next week's lesson.

Talk about how some things may look good but can cause harm. (Running off or away from a grown-up, taking sweets from someone you don't know, etc.)

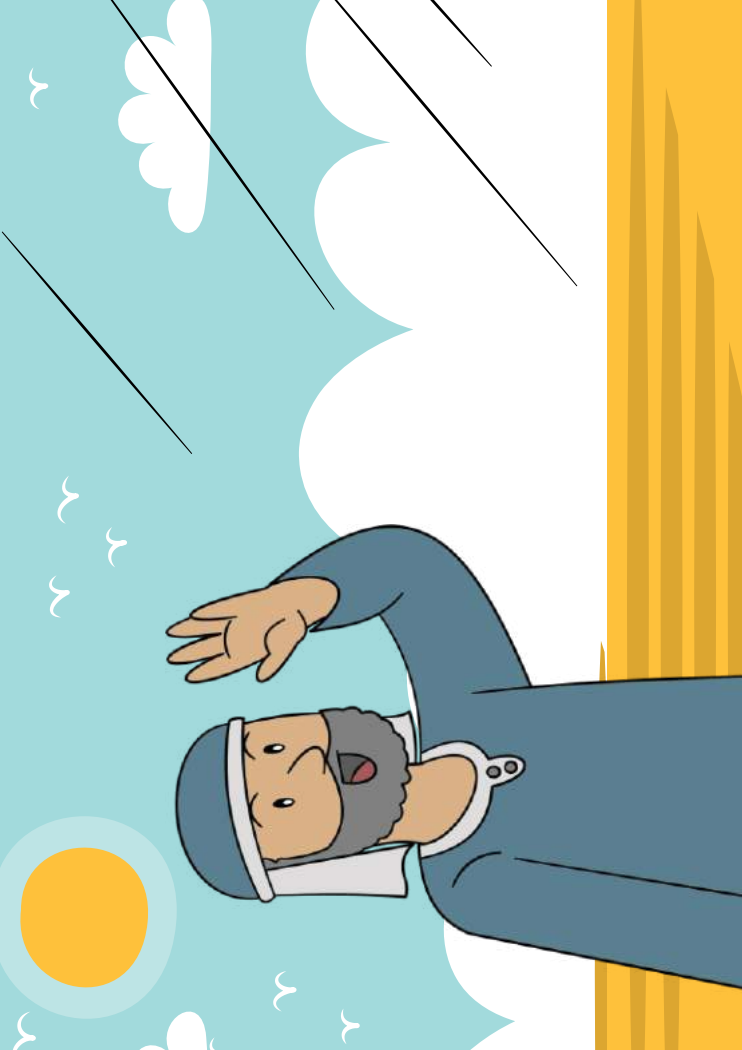
Pray together and ask God to help you to make wise choices.

Video playlist



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Abraham and Lot split up.

Abraham lived in tents in the land of Canaan.

Lot moved near the city of Sodom. It was full of wicked people.

God again spoke to Abraham. God told him to look around. Whatever he could see, God would one day give to him.



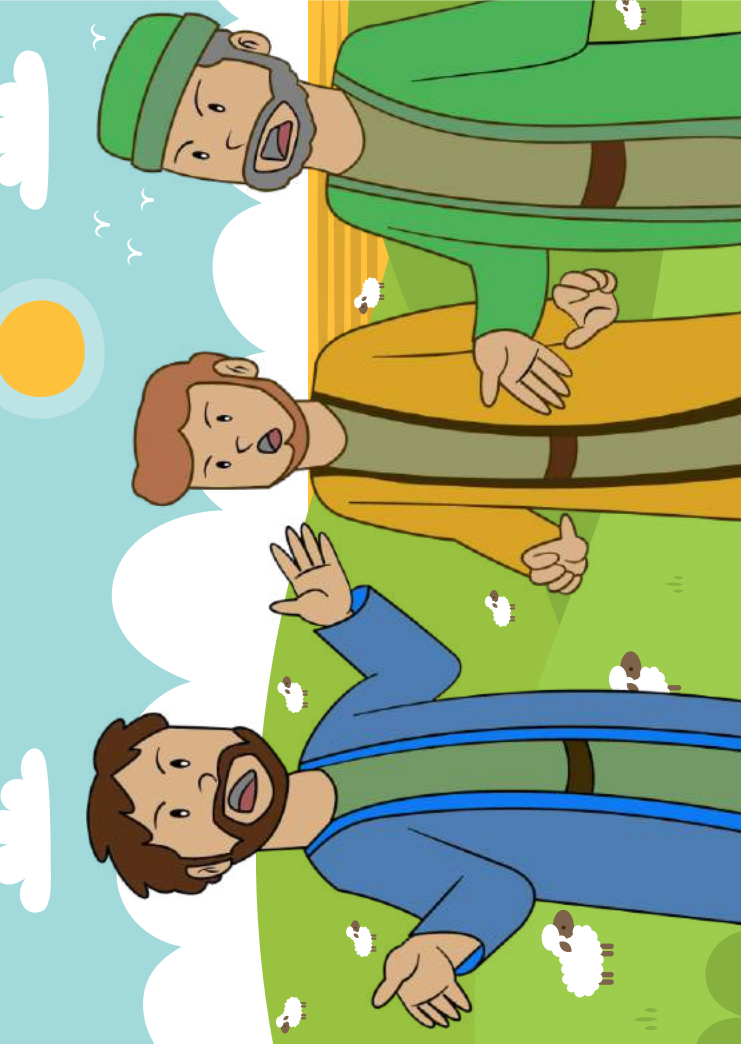
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Abraham, Sarah and their nephew, Lot, lived in tents and moved around the Land of Canaan.

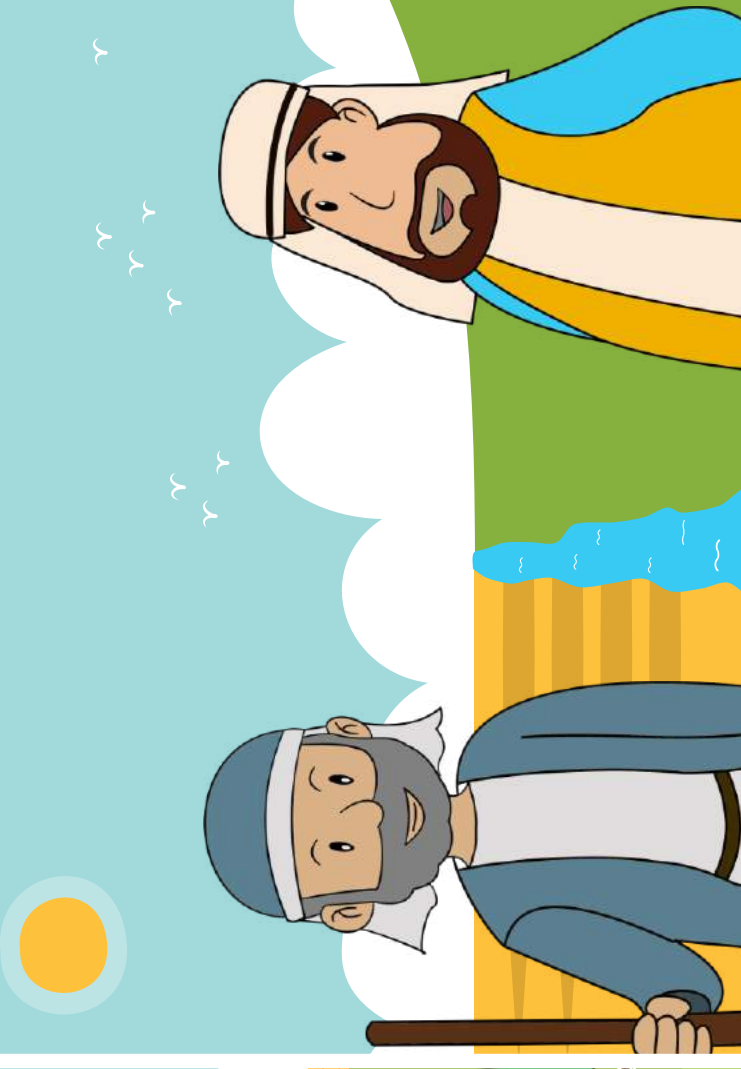
God blessed them.

Lot grew up. He also had a large flock and lots of people who worked for him.

Each day, Abraham and Lot would need to find water and food for all their animals.



Before long, there was a problem. The men who worked for Abraham and Lot began to argue. They both wanted the best grass for their animals. The land was not big enough to look after all their animals. Abraham and Lot had to split up and go in different directions.



Abraham told Lot to choose whichever land he wanted. Abraham would have the other. Lot looked and saw the plain of the Jordan was lush and green. He decided to pick the best land for himself.

Games and Activities

Sharing

Place objects out on a table. You could use toy blocks, toy cards, fruit or anything,

Ask your child to share them out equally.

Start by sharing between two people. If your child find it too easy make it more challenging by sharing between more people.



Garden or Farm visit

Take a walk around a garden or farm near to your home.

As you walk around, try to find different colors and different shades of that color.

Notice the land that looks the best. Where is the green grass? Where do the animals like to live and plants like to grow?

What is best?

This game is so simple it can be played anywhere. Simply ask your child to choose their favorite or best. For example: What is best, chocolate or strawberry ice cream?

Blue or pink?

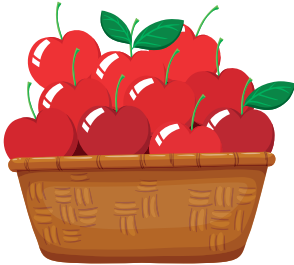
Light or dark?

Riding a bike or running?



Cut out the squares and then match the opposites.
For more of a challenge, turn them over and play as a memory game.

Full



Empty



Slow



Light



Dark



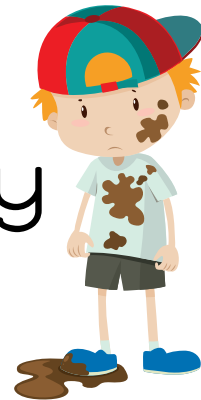
Fast



Closed



Dirty



Noisy

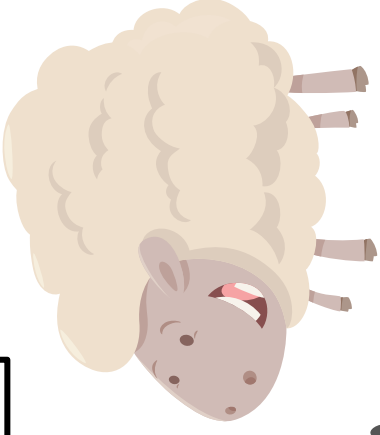
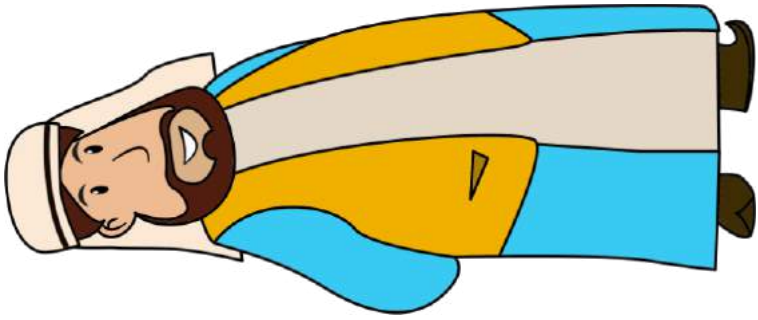
Quiet



Clean



How many sheep are there?

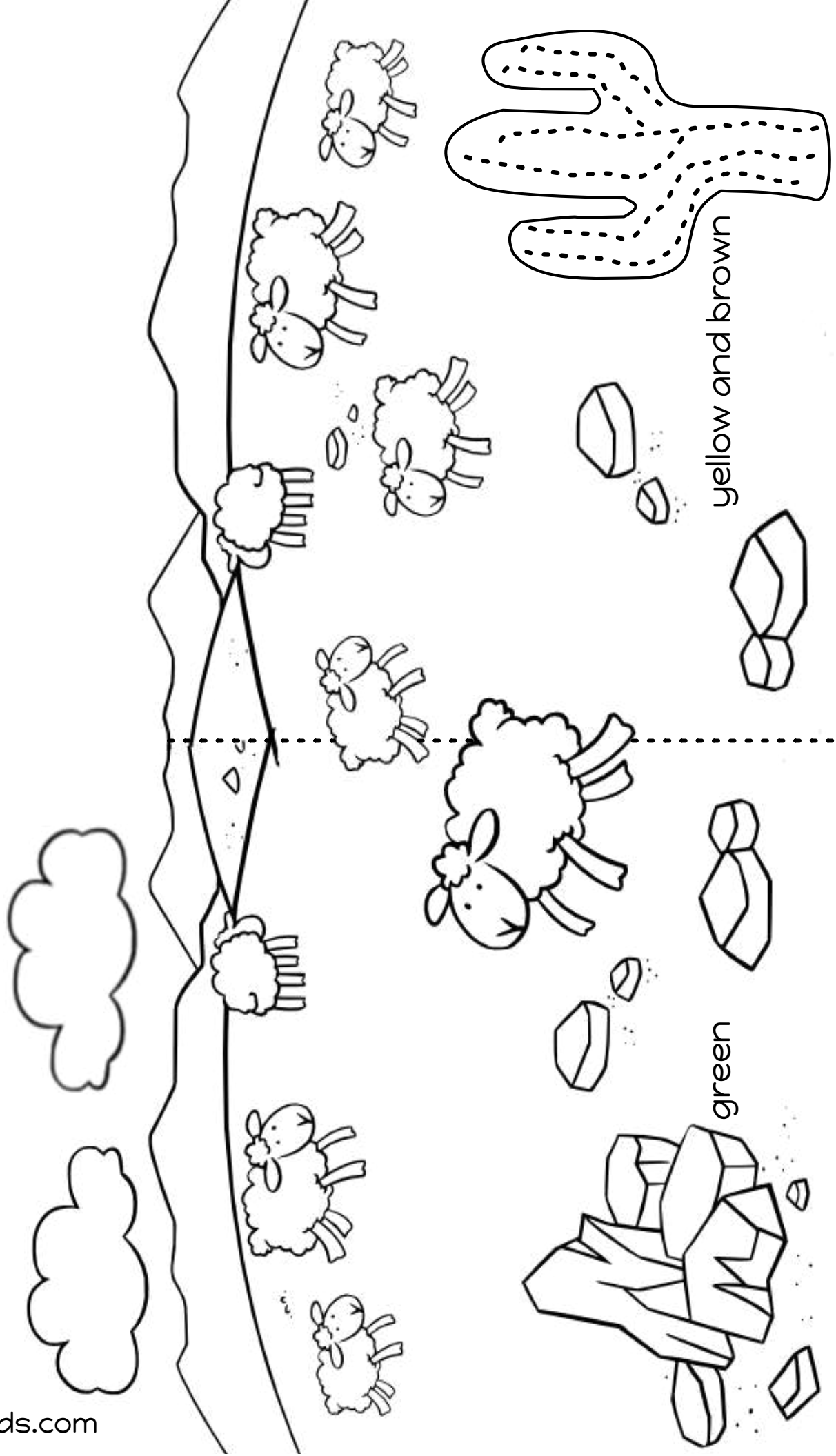


Share the sheep between Abraham and Lot

Spot Five differences



Lot saw that one side was green and good for his sheep.
Color one side of the picture green and the other yellow and brown.



Paper Sheep Craft

What you need

- Template page
- Colored paper (Green and blue)
- Scissor
- Glue



What to do



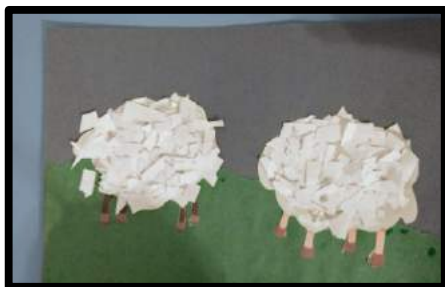
Print and cut template page



Rip green paper to make grass and glue on blue paper



Cut up left over white paper into little bits



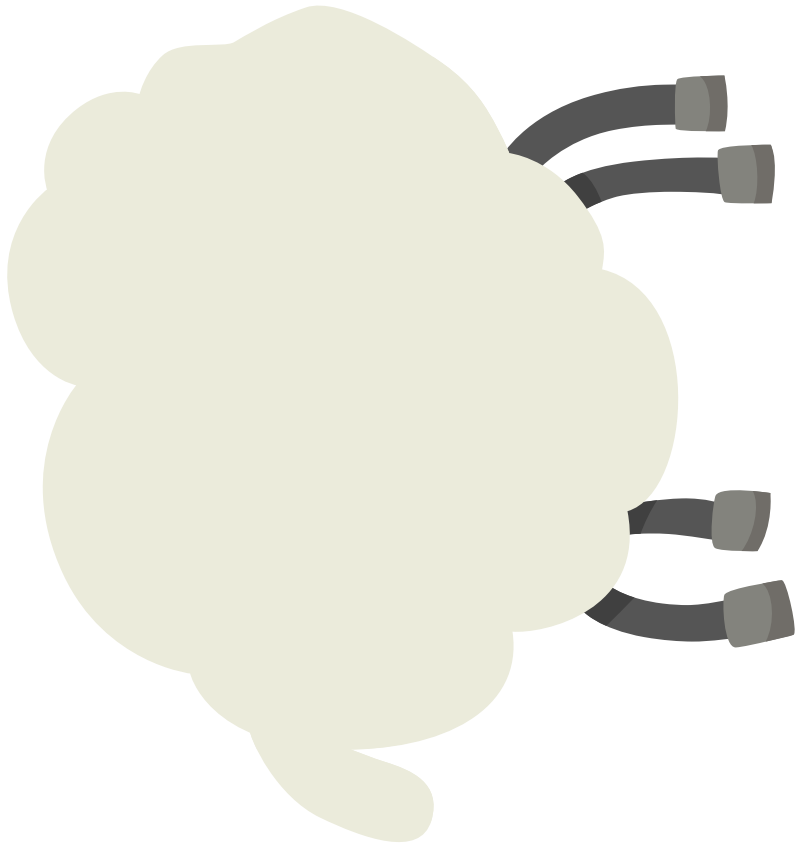
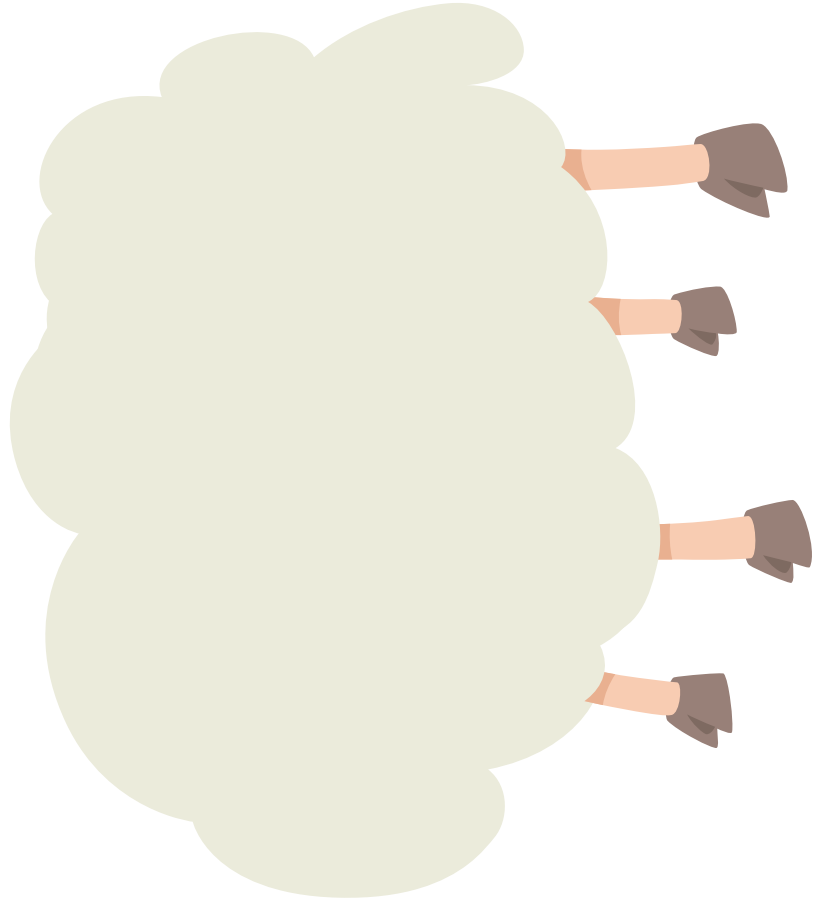
Glue on sheep body and cover in white bits



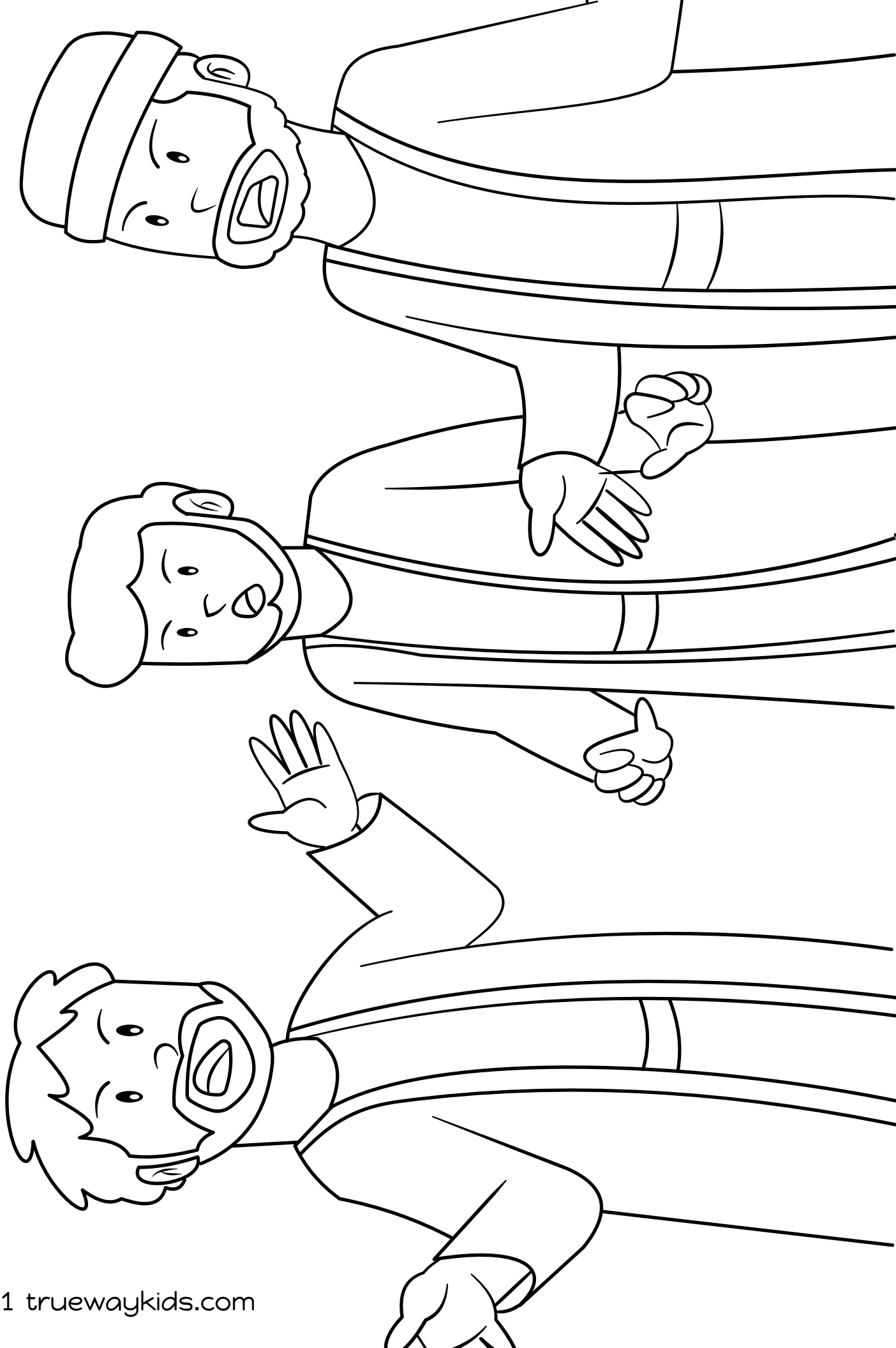
Glue on heads

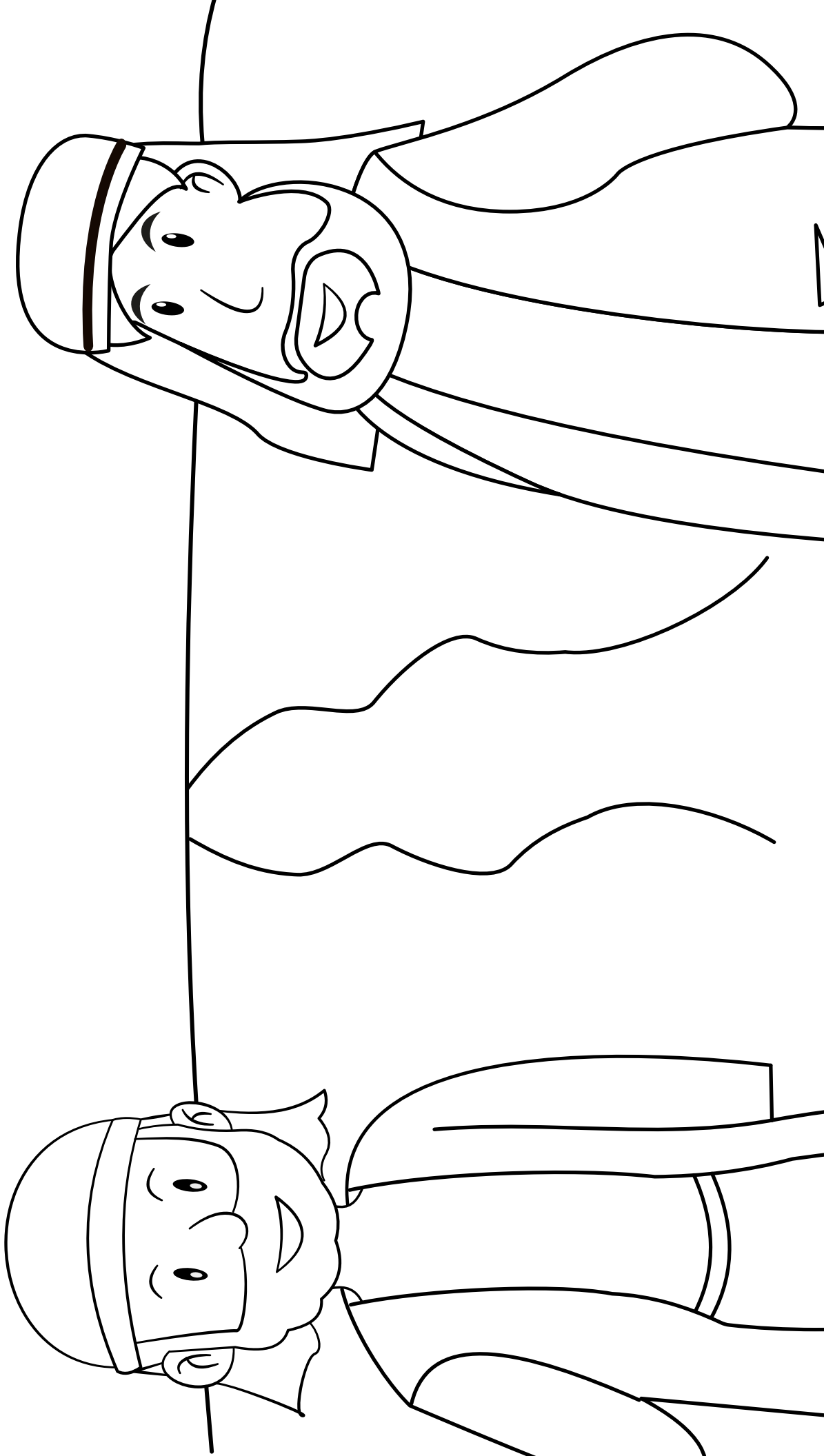


Cut slices in green Paper to form 3D grass effect











Worship Time

Show me Your Ways

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One Way

<https://youtu.be/KCLWPd5Yj9c>

Every Move I Make

<https://youtu.be/MPvnZILn6EY>



Prayer Time



Thank God for helping us to make wise choices.

Ask God to help you to seek His help and to put others first.

Next Week

Sodom and Gomorrah

If you haven't already done so, sign up to receive future lesson by email.

