

Lesson 6

Esau and Jacob
Genesis 25:19–34; 27:1–45

ACTIVITIES

Choose from the following activities and crafts to help connect Bible learning to life.

Family Play

Set out toy people. Have children pretend they are families working together. Say, **Sometimes families are happy. But sometimes someone will say or do something that hurts others in the family. That's because we are sinful. We need God's help. The Bible tells about a family like that. But God loves and blesses us, especially with His forgiveness because of Jesus. He can help us learn to love and forgive one another too.**



Celebrate God's Blessings

Sing the children's song "If You're Happy and You Know It," but change the word *happy* to *blessed*. (If unfamiliar with song, search for it online.) Do the suggested actions. Use the song to talk about God's blessings, especially the blessing of family. Have children each tell a way they are blessed in their family (e.g., my mom makes me cookies; my dad takes me to the park; my parents love me and keep me safe; my parents tell me about Jesus).



Family Portrait

Have children draw a portrait of their family on a piece of paper. Give them heart stickers with crosses drawn on them. Have them put a sticker by each family member to show God loves and gives us a family, but we need His help and forgiveness to get along. Glue the paper to a piece of construction paper to "frame" it.



Feeling Faces Snack

Serve round crackers and spray cheese in a can to make feeling faces. Listen to "Call Upon Me (Psalm 50:15)" (digital resource center). Say, **This song talks about ways we feel when things aren't going well and when things get better. Let's make faces to show the feelings. Make sad and happy faces. God is with us and loves us whether we are sad, angry, or feeling fine.**

