



JACOB'S LIE

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: GENESIS 27



*The story is very interesting and should be read if you do not choose to act it out.
Please use the NIV version.*

LESSON IDEAS

PUPPET SHOW

Supplies:

several blindfolds, fur with cologne on it so that it has a distinct smell

A short puppet show on lying

Teacher: (Looking at puppet) Hi Puppet!
Puppet: Hi how are you?
Teacher: I'm fine, how was your vacation?
Puppet: My vacation was fine, I had a great time.
Teacher: What did you do on vacation?
Puppet: I went fishing with my father and we caught some monster fish!
Teacher: It sounds like you caught some really big fish, but they were not really monster fish were they?
Puppet: Yes they were. I caught one fish that was so big, it couldn't fit in the boat.
Teacher: Did you get any pictures?
Puppet: (Getting a little nervous) Well, no we didn't get pictures, you see since it didn't fit in the boat, we had to let it go. Yes, that's it. We had to let it go.
Teacher: What kind of fish was it that it was so big?
Puppet: It was a whale!
Teacher: Puppet, everybody knows that whales don't live in lakes, they live in the ocean and your vacation was in the mountains, not at the beach.
Puppet: Well, maybe it was a giant whale trout.
Teacher: There is no such thing as a giant whale trout! You are lying, aren't you?
Puppet: I guess so. I really only caught one little fish. I wanted you to think I was special.
Teacher: I do think you are special, Puppet. You don't have to lie.
Puppet: I'm sorry, please forgive me.
Teacher: I forgive you Puppet.

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Questions to ask:

- Why do we tell lies? (To get something we want.) That could be an object like a cookie. (A child could lie and tell his parents that he ate all of his hot dog when really he fed it to the dog.) We also tell lies to get someone to think the way we want them to. We may want them to like us or think we are special. That is what Puppet did in the skit.
- Is it easy to tell a lie to get something we want? (Yes, very easy.)
- How do we keep from lying? (Ask God to change our heart so that we trust Him for what we need or want instead of trying to get it ourselves by lying.)
- What should we do if we do tell a lie? (We should confess to the person we lied to and ask for their forgiveness.)

EVERYBODY CAN BE ISAAC

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Have one of the male teaches or a student dress up like Esau with fur on their shoulders and arms. Have the class line up and each one put the blindfold on and see what it would be like to be Isaac. Ask them what would have fooled Isaac. They should mention the feel of the fur and the smell of his clothes as well as the food Rebekah prepared.



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Where is Jesus?

Please use the following comments connecting today's lesson to the Gospel to help inform your understanding and serve you by aiding your preparation for class. Remember, we want to do more than present disconnected Bible stories and lessons to our young children. We want them to understand how each story in the Bible plays a part in God's greater plan of redemption.

Jacob, not Esau, was to carry on the promise which would lead to the "coming of the righteous one," see Acts 7:8 and 7:52 for the connection. The plan was set even before either of the twins were born. God would be known as the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Esau's name would not be chosen to represent the promise of God.

