

Have you ever had to wait a REALLY long time for someone to keep their promise to you? It can be hard to wait, can't it? But you've NEVER waited as long as Abraham had to wait.

In Genesis 12, we heard God make some amazing promises to Abram when he was 75-years-old. Abram and his wife Sarai didn't have any children, but God promised that their family line would grow into a great nation. So Abram and Sarai waited... and waited... and waited... for 25 years! That's a LONG time to wait!

Eventually, the LORD appeared to Abraham and made clear that he hadn't forgotten his promise: The LORD said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife shall have a \_\_\_\_\_." (Gen 18:10)

When Sarah heard those words, she laughed! Abraham was almost IOO years old now and Sarah was almost 90. How would they have a baby? But, listen to the question God asked:

"Is anything too \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the LORD?" (Gen 18:14)

There are LOTS of things that are too hard for you and me to do, but NOTHING is too hard for God! In Genesis 21, God kept his promise to that old couple when Isaac was born.

## But what does this have to do with our search for our King?

About 2,000 years later, an angel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a

young woman named Mary, and do you know what he said?

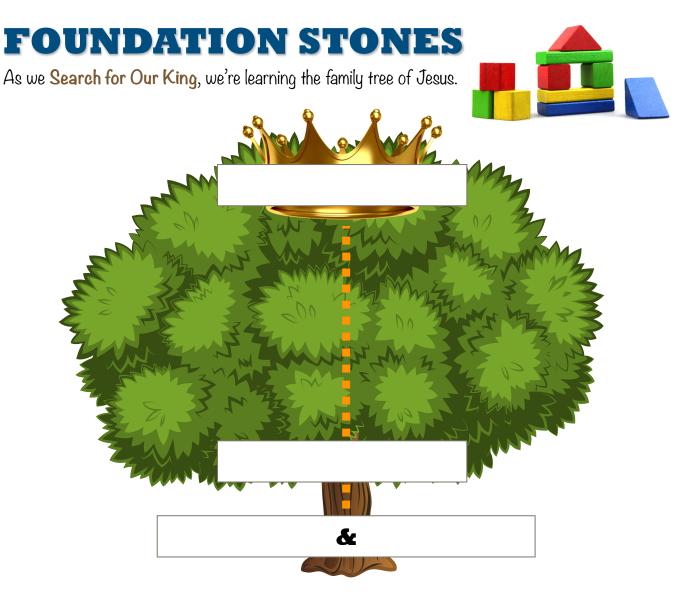
"Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a \_\_\_\_\_\_, and you shall call his name \_\_\_\_\_." (Luke 1:31)

Mary didn't understand how this was even possible. She asked, "How will this be?" And the angel taught Mary the same lesson Abraham

learned 2,000 years before: "For \_\_\_\_\_\_ will be impossible with God" (Luke 1:37)

Jesus would be a son of promise, just like Isaac, and God keeps his promises!





There are **LOTS** of things that are "too hard" for even the strongest and smartest adults. Can you think of any?

Why is it GOOD for us to be reminded every once in a while that there are lots of things "too hard" for us to do?

But God? **NOTHING** is impossible for our God! Why is that really, **REALLY** good news?

