A WIFE FOR ISAAC

Genesis 24

Isaac had grown up and his father Abraham wanted him to have a good wife. So Abraham sent one of his servants, Eliezer, back to his old land to find a wife for Isaac. He took camels, food and presents to give to the lady he chose.

Eliezer prayed to God to help him choose the right lady. He waited by the well, and if Eliezer asked a lady for a drink of water and she gave his camels a drink also, he would know that this was the lady God had chosen.

So Eliezer waited and soon a beautiful lady came, and he asked her for a drink. She gave him a drink and offered his camels a drink too.

Eliezer gave her presents and asked her to go back with him to marry Isaac. She agreed, and said goodbye to her family, and set off with Eliezer. When they reached Abraham's home, Rebekah and Isaac were married, and lived happily together, being blessed by God.

ACTIVITY

Spread paste on the well and sprinkle with sand. Use glitter for the waterpots. Crumple crepe paper and paste on camel. Use small pieces of bark for tree trunk and green material/paper for leaves. Draw or paste on Eliezer and Rebekah. Colour or paint the background.

FURTHER SUGGESTIONS

Make necklaces or bracelets by threading macaroni, bottle tops, drinking straws or coloured popcorn.

From plasticine or playdough make a well, water pots and camels. Use toothpicks for legs and necks.

Act out the story outside, using a large bucket, bin or baby bath filled with water for the well; a cordial bottle or ice cream container for the waterpot.

Make a standing camel (see back page for pattern) using thin cardboard for the body, two pegs as legs and wool for a tail.

