## The People of Israel



We share a long history with people who have loved and followed God.

#### Welcome

Do you see trees? Can one be like your family? Let's add our family member's names to the trees. If we put trees by each other, the roots inter-twine. Christian roots also inter-twine with other religions.

### **Explore**

Watch <u>Father Abraham Had Many Sons</u>. Let's dance or hand jive this song. This song reminds us Jews, Christians and Muslims are all part of God's family. Each religion traces their story back to Abraham. Or Sing Hymn 431 "Let There Be Peace On Earth."

# Scripture

Genesis 12:1-3

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kin and your father's house to the land I will show you. I will make of you a great nation. I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you. The one who curses you I will curse. In you all the families of the earth will be blessed."

### Respond

- Do you know anybody who is Jewish or Muslim?
- How are they the same as you? What makes them different?
- What is a blessing? How have you been blessed?

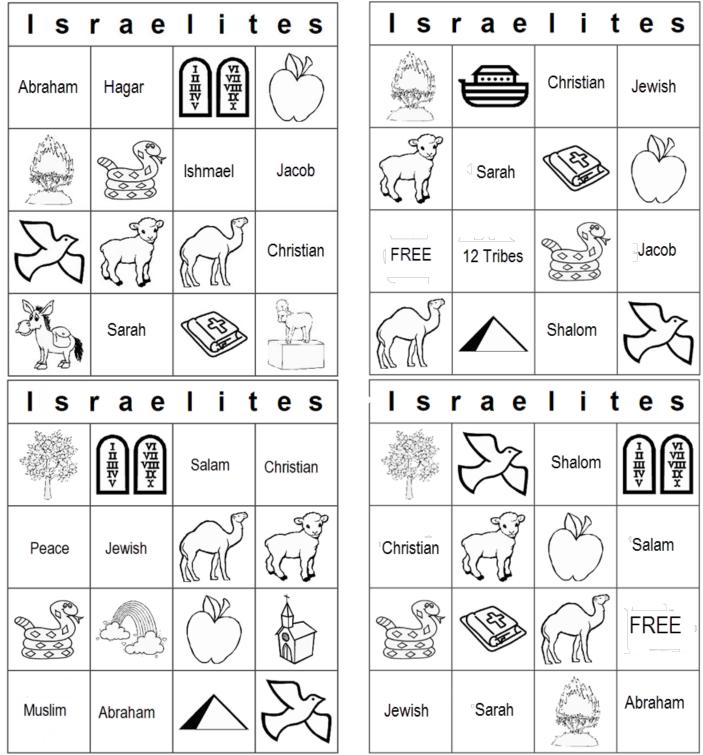
#### **Pray**

Dear God, Help me this week to remember all people are in your family. Help me to love all people, just like you do. Help me to be a blessing to someone this week. I love you God. Amen.

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#### **BINGO**

Pick a card. When a name is called, put a marker on it. Shout BINGO when you cover a row. Or cover with clear contact paper, then cut around each card to make coasters.



Until next time - pray every day for someone you know to have a happy day or to experience a blessing.

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