

## MELCHIZEDEK BLESSED ABRAHAM



Watch the Bible story video or read all or parts of <u>Genesis 14:1-24</u> from the Bible.



The next time you're in the car, try to count how many road signs you see. It will be a lot because they're everywhere! Drivers are required to pay attention to these signs and to know the message each sign communicates. Road signs are there to help you notice what you might otherwise miss.

As we read our Bibles, God has placed signs everywhere that are meant to draw our attention to Jesus. Long before Jesus was born, God gave us pictures of what Jesus would be like and what He would do. God did not want us to miss seeing Jesus as the hero of the story!

God placed one of these signs in the story of Abraham. After Abraham fought to rescue his nephew Lot, he was visited by a man named Melchizedek. Melchizedek was the King of Salem, and the Bible says he was also "Priest of God Most High." Melchizedek blessed Abraham, and then he pretty much disappeared from the story of the Bible.

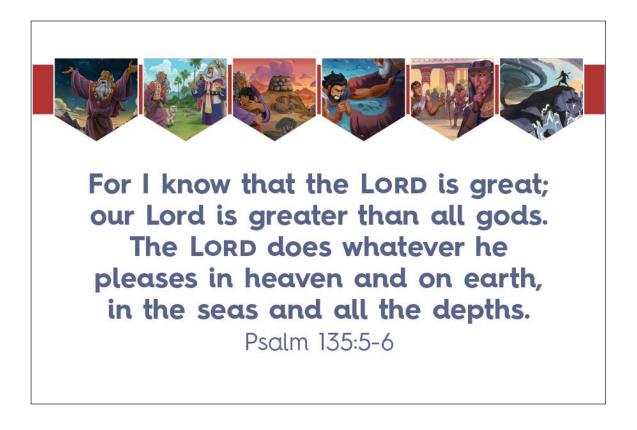
These short verses that introduce us to Melchizedek are a sign meant to point us to Jesus the better King and greater Priest! The book of Hebrews says that Jesus is the "high priest we need: holy, innocent, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens." (Hebrews 7:26) Jesus gave Himself as the perfect sacrifice for our sins. Through faith in Him, we can have forgiveness and eternal life.

Melchizedek means "king of righteousness." Melchizedek reminds us of Jesus, an even greater priest and king who lives forever. Jesus died on the cross and rose again to bless all who trust in Him by providing forgiveness and eternal life.

**Pray:** God, thank You for all the signs that point us to Jesus. He is better than anything else. Help us to trust in Jesus and help our lives to be a sign that points others to Him.



The key passage below is focused on at church. Consider talking about what this passage means and memorizing it as well.





Finish your family worship experience by playing the Key Passage song to worship and as a further way to memorize Scripture.