# The Big Story

# Lent and Holy Week

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Romans 4:16-25

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Hebrews 11:8-12

and God made a covenant with Abraham and his offspring saying "I shall be your God and you shall be my people"; and God appeared to Abraham as three visitors, and Abraham walked with them in the cool of the day, and God was gracious to Sarah and she bore a son to Abraham in his old age, and they named him Isaac ...

8 Wednesday

Genesis 22:1-13

Deuteronomy 12:29-31

and on Mount Moriah Abraham offered a sacrifice of his son, his only son whom he loved; and God would not be worshipped according to the customs of the land, and God stopped Abraham's hand, and God himself provided a lamb in place of the son ...

9 Thursday

Genesis 28: 10-17

Genesis 32: 24-30

and Isaac's son was Jacob, and Jacob dreamed of a ladder reaching to heaven and said, "God is here, and I did not know it"; and Jacob wrestled with God and asked, "Who are you?", and God replied, "Why do you ask?"; and God gave him the name Israel ...

10 Friday

Genesis 37:3-8. 26-28

Genesis 41:15-16. 39-40

and Israel gave his son Joseph a sumptuous coat, and Joseph's brothers were jealous and sold him into slavery in Egypt; and God raised Joseph to become second only to Pharaoh and gave Joseph the meaning of Pharaoh's dreams; and Joseph stored up grain ...

11 Saturday

Genesis 50:15-26

**Romans 9:6-8** 

and there was famine, and Joseph's brothers came to Egypt for food, and Joseph said, "You meant it for harm, but God meant it for good", and Israel's children lived in Egypt, and had children, who had children, who had children; and they became a great nation, the children of the promise ...

12 Second Sunday in Lent Exodus 1:8-14

John 8:31-36

but there came a new king who did not know Joseph or Joseph's God, and he kept the children of Israel as slaves in Egypt, far from the land God had promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; and their lives were bitter with hard labour.

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