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Go Deep
Disney Digs Deep
Toy Story 2:
“Abandoned by Your Parents”
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With what toy do you connect in the Toy Story movies?

Today's teaching is based on this statement from Jessie to Woody: *“You never forget kids like Emily and Andy (The humans to whom they belong), but they forget you.”*

Who do you know who has been abandoned or thrown out by their family?

Read the story of Ishmael and Hagar - Genesis 16:1-4; Genesis 21:10-13

Of the characters in this story which do you like the most? The least?

Put yourself in the shoes of Hagar and Ishmael.

How do you feel?

LGBTQ youth make up roughly 8% of the youth population but about 40% of the homeless youth population. 50% of those youth were kicked out by religious parents or families.

Why are highly religious parents more likely than less religious parents to reject their children for being gay?

Read Genesis 16:11,13 and Genesis 21:15-18

What was God's response to Hagar and Ishmael?

“Ishmael” literally means “the God who sees”

How does that name express God's attitude toward Hagar and Ishmael?

What does this story tell us about how God feels about those who are excluded and abandoned?

Jewish, Arab, and Christian traditions say that Hagar was the Matriarch of Muhammad.

What does that tell us about how God feels toward Muslims?

How will this teaching change how you see people? How you see yourself?

