

Rejected but Not Forsaken

Genesis 21:1-21



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1 Now the LORD was gracious to Sarah as **he had said**, and the LORD did for Sarah **what he had promised**.² Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, **at the very time God had promised him**.³ Abraham gave the name **Isaac** to the son Sarah bore him.

4 When his son Isaac was **eight days old**, Abraham **circumcised him**, as God commanded him.

5 Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.

6 Sarah said, "God has brought me **laughter**, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me."

7 And she added, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

8 The child grew and was weaned, and on the day Isaac was weaned Abraham held a **great feast**.⁹ But Sarah saw that the son whom Hagar the Egyptian had borne to Abraham was **mocking**,¹⁰ and she said to Abraham, "**Get rid of** that slave woman and her son, for that slave woman's son **will never share in the inheritance** with my son Isaac."

11 The matter **distressed Abraham greatly** because it concerned his son.¹² But God said to him, "**Do not be so distressed** about the boy and your maidservant. **Listen to whatever Sarah tells you**, because it is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned.

13 I will make **the son of the maidservant into a nation** also, because he is your offspring."

14 Early the next morning Abraham took **some food and a skin of water** and gave them to Hagar. He set them on her shoulders and then **sent her off with the boy**. She went on her way and wandered in the Desert of Beersheba.

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15 When the water in the skin was gone, **she put the boy under** one of the bushes. ¹⁶ Then she went off and sat down about a bowshot away, for she thought, "I cannot watch the boy die." And as she sat there, **she began to sob.** ¹⁷ God heard the boy crying, and **the angel of God** called to Hagar from heaven and said to her, "What is the matter, Hagar? Do not be afraid; God has heard the boy crying as he lies there.

18 Lift the boy up and take him by the hand, **for I will make him into a great nation.**"

19 **Then God opened her eyes** and she saw a well of water. So she went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink.

20 **God was with the boy** as he grew up. He lived in the desert and became an archer.

21 While he was living in the Desert of Paran, his mother got a wife for him from Egypt.



Family Animosity
Father Abandonment
Final Atonement

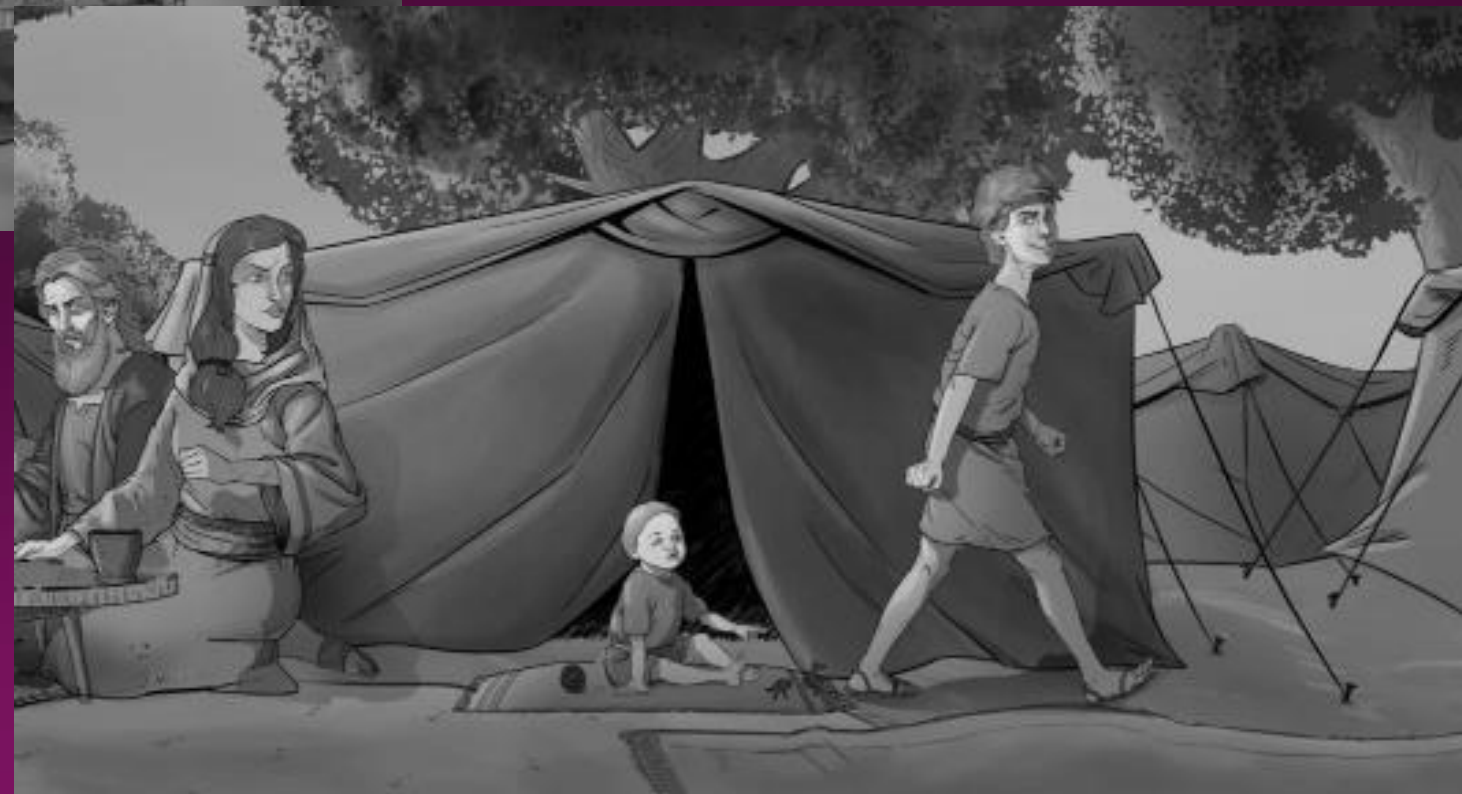
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Family !

Isaac – “laughter”

v1-2, “..as **he had said**, ...
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Family Animosity !

10 "Get rid of that slave woman and her son, for that slave woman's son will **never share in the inheritance** with my son Isaac." - Sarah

Hagar = "flight"

12 But God said to him, "**Do not be so distressed** about the boy and your maidservant. **Listen to** whatever **Sarah** tells you, because it is **through Isaac** that your offspring will be reckoned.



Father Abandonment!

14 “..took **some food and a skin of water** and gave them to Hagar. He set them on her shoulders and then **sent her off with the boy.**” - Abraham

Gen 25:5-6, “Abraham left everything to Isaac. But while he was still living, **he gave gifts to the sons** of his concubines and sent them away...”



Father Abandonment!



15 When the water in the skin was gone, she put **the boy** under one of the bushes.

Why was the boy so weak?

16 Then she went off and sat down about a bowshot away, for she thought, "I cannot watch the boy die." And as she sat there, **she** began to **sob**.

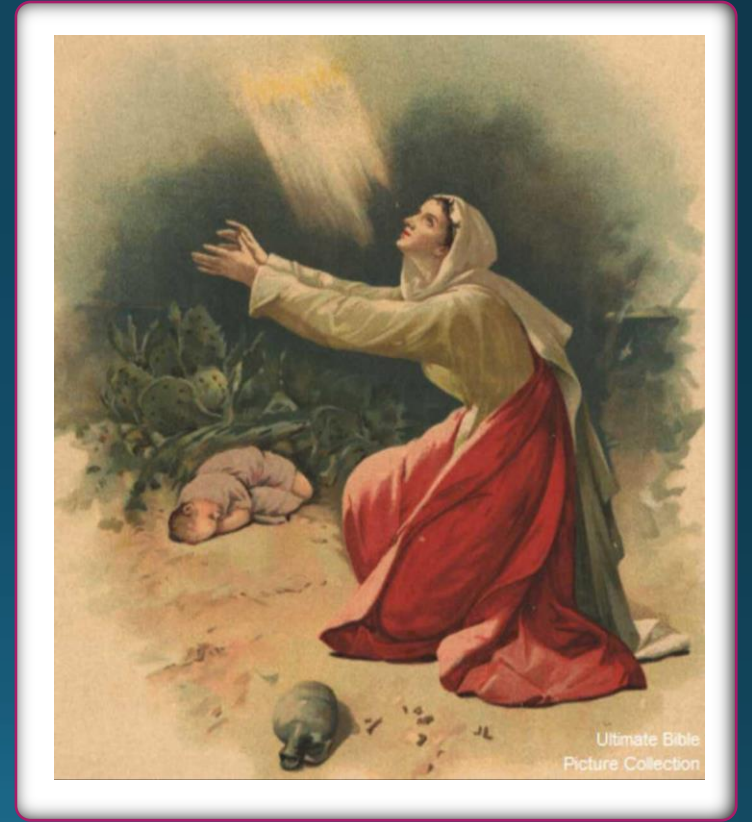
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17 God heard the boy crying, and **the angel of God** called to Hagar from heaven,
“What is the matter, Hagar? Do not be afraid;
God has heard the boy crying as he lies there.

“God hears” = Ishmael

18 .., **for I will make him into a great nation.**”

19 “**Then God opened her eyes** and she saw a well of water...”



Genesis 25:13, "These are the names of the sons of Ishmael,: Nebaioth the firstborn of Ishmael, Kedar, Adbeel, Mibsam, 14-15 Mishma, Dumah, Massa, Hadad, Tema, Jetur, Naphish and Kedemah. 16 These were the sons of Ishmael, and these are the names of the twelve tribal rulers according to their settlements and camps.



Final !!



Final Atonement!!



“Eloi, Eloi,
Lama Sabachthani ?”

Mark 15



Victim or Villain ?

A wooden cross is positioned on the left side of the frame, extending from the bottom left towards the center. The background is a dramatic sky filled with golden, textured clouds. A bright sunburst effect emanates from behind the cross, creating a halo of light rays that spread across the upper portion of the sky. The overall color palette is warm, dominated by yellows, oranges, and browns.

**Because Christ
was Forsaken**