

GENESIS Study A Miracle Birth and a Strange Request

Genesis 21-22

1. **Then the LORD did exactly what he had promised** God keeps His _____.
2. **God has brought me laughter!** Ironic statement?
Isaac = _____
3. **How is Isaac a picture of Jesus?**
 - ❖ Both were the _____ sons.
 - ❖ Both were born after a period of _____
 - ❖ Both mothers were assured by God's omnipotence (Genesis 18:13-14; Luke 1:34, 37).
 - ❖ Both were given names rich with meaning before they were born.
 - ❖ Both births occurred at God's appointed time (Genesis 21:2; Galatians 4:4).
 - ❖ Both births were _____
 - ❖ Both births were accompanied by joy (Genesis 21:6; Luke 1:46-47; 2:10-11).
4. **Isaac vs. Ishmael (Galatians 4:22-29)**

In Galatians 4, the Jewish legalists who troubled the Galatians protested they were children of Abraham and thus blessed. Paul will admit they are children of Abraham, but they are like _____, not Isaac! The legalists claimed Abraham as their father. Paul wants to know who was their _____, Hagar or Sarah? Ishmael was born of a slave, and born according to the flesh. Isaac was born of a freewoman, and born according to promise. Even so, the legalists promote a relationship with God based in bondage, slavery and according to the flesh. The true gospel of grace offers liberty in Christ and is a promise received by faith.
5. **He sent her away** God's solution was clear - get rid of the son of _____.
There is to be no reconciliation with the flesh, no peaceful _____. The son of the flesh must simply be put away forever. Galatians 5:24
6. **Then God heard the boy's cries** As God protects and preserves them out in the Desert, He answers them by hearing the voice of the child. God is showing special favor to Ishmael because he is a _____
7. Abimelech . . . spoke to Abraham:
How could this be the same Abimelech of Genesis 20?
Abimelech is the _____ among the Canaanites, not a specific name
8. **It is clear that God helps you in everything you do** What a _____!
9. **Then Abraham planted a tamarisk tree at Beersheba, and he worshiped the LORD, the Eternal God, at that place** Letting _____ draw us closer to God

10. *God tested Abraham* This was not so much a test to _____ faith, as it was a test to _____ faith.

11. *Take now your son, your only son Isaac* What about Ishmael?

12. Anything interesting about these things.....

Rose early saddled donkey I will go yonder and worship (1st mention)

And we will come back to you The two of them went together

Note: Interesting that the first mention of Worship involving _____

13. *Offer him..burnt offering..* Abraham had to learn the difference between trusting the _____ and trusting the _____

14. What similarities between this event (Isaac) and the Cross (Christ)?

Both were loved by their father

Specific time and place (Jerusalem 2 Chronicles 3:1)

Both offered themselves willingly

Both carried _____ up the hill of their sacrifice.

Both were sacrificed on the _____

A _____ got them there

Both were delivered from death on the _____

A _____ death is involved

15. What ancient pagan practice was Abraham duplicating?

I know that you truly fear God

Why did God do that?

16. Yahweh-Yireh (which means “the LORD will provide”). To this day, people still use that name as a proverb: “On the mountain of the LORD it will be provided.” Any final observations?