



January 9, 2022

Improbable Hope

Genesis 21:8-20 (KJV)

1. Give a brief profile of each person in **Genesis 21:8 (KJV)** to complete the following statements.

 And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the *same* day that Isaac was weaned. **Genesis 21:8 (KJV)**

a. **Abraham's** original name was _____.

 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee. **Genesis 17:5 (KJV)**

b. God made some **p**_____ to **Abraham**.

 ¹ Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: ² And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: ³ And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed. **Genesis 12:1-3 (KJV)**

Give the **4** "I wills" God personally conveyed to Abraham.

I will _____

I will _____

I will _____

I will _____

- c. **Abraham** was _____ years old when he responded to the voice of God.

 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.
Genesis 12:4 (KJV)

- d. The name of **Abraham's** wife was _____ but later God changed her name to _____.

 And Abram took Sarai his wife, and Lot his brother's son, and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran; and they went forth to go into the land of Canaan; and into the land of Canaan they came. **Genesis 12:5 (KJV)**

 And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah *shall* her name be. **Genesis 17:15 (KJV)**

- e. **Isaac** was Abraham's son. His mother's name was _____.

 And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.
Genesis 21:3 (KJV)

- f. Abraham was _____ years old when **Isaac** was born and Sarah was _____ years old.

 Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a *child* be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?
Genesis 17:17 (KJV)

2. Give a brief profile of each person in **Genesis 21:9 (KJV)** to complete the following statements.

 And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking.
Genesis 21:9 (KJV)

- a. **Sarah** tried to **h**_____ God fulfil His covenant to Abraham.
- b. Hagar was **Sarah's h**_____.

 ¹ Now Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name was Hagar. ² And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her. And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai. ³ And Sarai Abram's wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.
Genesis 16:1-3 (KJV)

- c. After **Hagar** became pregnant by Abraham, she began to **d**_____ Sarah.

 And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong *be* upon thee: I have given my maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD judge between me and thee.
Genesis 16:5 (KJV)

- d. During **Hagar's** pregnancy with Ishmael, Sarah treated her harshly until Hagar _____.

 But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid *is* in thy hand; do to her as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face.
Genesis 16:6 (KJV)

- e. **Ishmael** was **Hagar's** son by Abraham. Abraham was _____ years old when Ishmael was born.

 And Abram was fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.
Genesis 16:16 (KJV)

3. How did Sarah react when she saw Hagar's son making fun of her young son?

 And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking.
Genesis 21:9 (KJV)

 Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, *even* with Isaac.
Genesis 21:10 (KJV)

4. What was Abraham's solution to this dilemma?

 And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's sight because of his son.
Genesis 21:11 (KJV)

5. Do you think a husband should follow the advice of his wife?
Explain your answer.

Yes or No

 And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called. **Genesis 21:12 (KJV)**

God's **c**_____ with Abraham will be fulfilled through Isaac.

 And God said, Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, *and* with his seed after him.
Genesis 17:19 (KJV)

6. Give the promise that God made to Abraham concerning his son Ishmael.
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 And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make a nation, because he *is* thy seed.
Genesis 21:13 (KJV)

7. Did Abraham follow his wife's advice? *Explain your answer.*
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 And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave *it* unto Hagar, putting *it* on her shoulder, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba. **Genesis 21:14 (KJV)**

8. When Hagar and her son had consumed all of the water that they had with them, what did Hagar do?
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 And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs.
Genesis 21:15 (KJV)

 And she went, and sat her down over against *him* a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, Let me not see the death of the child. And she sat over against *him*, and lift up her voice, and wept. **Genesis 21:16 (KJV)**

9. While Hagar was in the desert, God responded to her prayers.

True or False

 And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he *is*.
Genesis 21:17 (KJV)

10. What was the promise that God made to Hagar?

 Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation.
Genesis 21:18 (KJV)

11. What did Hagar see after God dealt with her during this stressful situation?

 And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink.
Genesis 21:19 (KJV)

12. What was Ishmael's occupation?

 And God was with the lad; and he grew, and dwelt in the wilderness, and became an archer.
Genesis 21:20 (KJV)

13. Reading Assignment for January 16, 2022 ► **EXODUS Chapter 23**



⁸ And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the *same* day that Isaac was weaned.

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