

Genesis Study Guide

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Genesis 16

SUMMARY

Sarai proposes that Abram have a child with Hagar, their servant, because Sarai is barren and old. Abram takes Hagar as his wife, and she conceives a child. This created a lot of problems and stirred so much conflict between Hagar and Sarai, that Hagar fled to the wilderness. The angel of the Lord meets Hagar at a spring and comforts her with a promise.

REVIEW

What is one specific way you could use prayer from your group in your life right now?

DISCUSS

- What problems do you see in this story, and what were their causes? What can we learn from their mistakes?
- Sarai's proposal displayed a lack of trust in God's faithfulness to His promise. How is sin a failure to trust in God? Why do we question God's faithfulness?
- Abram's sin led to more relational conflict between him, his wife, and Hagar. What conflict may you be experiencing in a relationship as a result of sin? How can you help seek reconciliation in this relationship?
- The angel of the Lord (Jesus) meets Hagar at the spring. What does this conversation show us about Jesus and His character despite our failure?

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [When You Feel Forgotten, Abandoned and Unloved](#) (Article)
- [The Angel of the Lord](#) (Article)
- [Genesis 12-50](#) (Video)