

The Foundation of the World: “Peaceful Resolution”
Genesis 21
August 30, 2026

I. Tension #1 – The promised child (1-7)

II. Tension #2 – Family conflict (8-21)

III. Tension #3 – National conflict (22-34)

LET’S GO DEEPER:

1. Galatians 4:23 says Isaac was “born through promise.” How does Genesis 21:1-2 show God’s promises were fulfilled? How has God kept his promises to you?
2. How does God’s word provide for both Isaac and Ishmael in verses 8-21?
3. How do people responding to God’s word in this chapter? Look specifically at verses 3-7, 14, 19, 33.
4. What steps are taken to make peace in verses 22-34? Read Romans 12:18 and 2 Corinthians 13:11. What steps is God calling you to take to make peace with the people in your life?