

# Oak Hill Baptist Church



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## Sarai and Hagar

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### Genesis 16 NASB95

Now Sarai, Abram's wife had borne him no *children*, and she had an Egyptian maid whose name was Hagar. So Sarai said to Abram, "Now behold, the LORD has prevented me from bearing *children*. Please go in to my maid; perhaps I will obtain children through her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai. After Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Abram's wife Sarai took Hagar the Egyptian, her maid, and gave her to her husband Abram as his wife. He went in to Hagar, and she conceived; and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her sight. And Sarai said to Abram, "May the wrong done me be upon you. I gave my maid into your arms, but when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her sight. May the LORD judge between you and me." But Abram said to Sarai, "Behold, your maid is in your power; do to her what is good in your sight." So Sarai treated her harshly, and she fled from her presence. Now the angel of the LORD found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, by the spring on the way to Shur. He said, "Hagar, Sarai's maid, where have you come from and where are you going?" And she said, "I am fleeing from the presence of my mistress Sarai." Then the angel of the LORD said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit yourself to her authority." Moreover, the angel of the LORD said to her, "I will greatly multiply your descendants so that they will be too many to count." The angel of the LORD said to her further, "Behold, you are with child, And you will bear a son; And you shall call his name Ishmael, Because the LORD has given heed to your affliction. "He will be a wild donkey of a man, His hand *will be* against everyone, And everyone's hand *will be* against him; And he will live to the east of all his brothers." Then she called the name of the LORD who spoke to her, "You are a God who sees"; for she said, "Have I even remained alive here after seeing Him?" Therefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; behold, it is between Kadesh and Bered. So Hagar

bore Abram a son; and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Ishmael. Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Ishmael to him.

**Prevented** - רָצַר ('ā·šār): v.; ≡ Str 6113; TWOT 1675—1. LN 68.34–68.57 (qal) hold back, restrain, stop, i.e., have a state or condition cease ([Ge 16:2](#); [1Ki 18:44](#); [2Ki 4:24](#); [2Ch 14:10](#)[EB 11]; [Job 4:2](#); [12:15](#); [29:9+](#)); (nif) stopped ([Nu 17:13](#)[EB 16:48], 15[EB 16:50]; 25:8; [2Sa 24:21](#), [25](#); [1Ch 21:22](#); [Ps 106:30+](#))

**Despised** - קָלַל (qā·lāl): v.; ≡ Str 7043; TWOT 2028—1. LN 59.11–59.22 (qal) recede, grow smaller, i.e., be in a state of a mass becoming less and so lowering in elevation ([Ge 8:8](#), [11+](#)); 2. LN 88.192–88.197 (qal) disdain, despise, be vile, i.e., be in a state of contempt for an object, showing little regard or value to the object ([Ge 16:4](#), [5](#); [1Sa 2:30+](#))

**Wrong** - חָמָס (ḥā·mās): n.masc.; ≡ Str 2555; TWOT 678a—1. LN 20.1–20.11 violence, i.e., a strong, fierce, destructive force resulting in acts that maim, destroy, kill, often implying a lawlessness, terror, and lack of moral restraint ([Ge 49:5](#); [Pr 3:31](#)); 2. LN 20.31–20.60 destruction, i.e., the ruining of a thing, or land, or people, with a focus on the violence that accompanies these acts ([Hab 2:8](#), [17](#)); 3. LN 88.12–88.23 a wrong, injustice, i.e., an injustice to some standard, possibly implying a grievous or severe injustice ([Ge 16:5](#); [Job 19:7](#))

**Harshly** - נָפַץ ('ā·nā(h)): v.; ≡ Str 6031; TWOT 1651, 1652—1. LN 25.223–25.250 (qal) be afflicted, disturbed, oppressed, i.e., be in a state of feeling anxiety and distress ([Ps 116:10](#); [119:67](#); [Isa 31:4](#); [Zec 10:2+](#)), note: for a focus on the state of trouble itself, and not just the feeling, see also domain LN 22.1–22.14; (nif) afflicted, suffering, oppressed ([Ps 119:107](#); [Isa 53:7](#); [58:10+](#))

**Angel of the Lord** (מַלְאָךְ יְהוָה (māl·'āk yhw(h)) - מַלְאָךְ (māl·'āk): n.masc.; ≡ Str 4397;

TWOT 1068a—1. LN 12.28 angel, i.e., a supernatural being as a class creation that is God's servant, esp. in informing or proclaiming a message from God ([2Ki 1:3a](#)),

([Gen 22:15-16](#); [Exod 3:2-4](#); [Nu 22:22](#); [31](#); [35](#); [38](#); [Judg 6:11-18](#); [13:21-22](#); [Zech 3:1](#); [5-7](#); [12:8](#))

#### **Genesis 22:15–16 NASB95**

Then the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven, and said, “By Myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only son,

#### **Exodus 3:2–4 NASB95**

The angel of the LORD appeared to him in a blazing fire from the midst of a bush; and he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, yet the bush was not consumed. So Moses said, “I must turn aside now and see this marvelous sight, why the bush is not burned up.” When the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.”

#### **Zechariah 3:1 NASB95**

Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him.

#### **Galatians 4:22 NASB95**

For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the bondwoman and one by the free woman.