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El Roi

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"The God Who Sees"

Genesis 16

*Just because you cannot see God,  
doesn't mean he doesn't see you.*

**16** Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. She had a female Egyptian servant whose name was Hagar. <sup>2</sup> And Sarai said to Abram, "Behold now, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Go in to my servant; it may be that I shall obtain children by her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai.

<sup>3</sup> So, after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Canaan, Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian, her servant, and gave her to Abram her husband as a wife. <sup>4</sup> And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived. And when she saw that she had conceived, she looked with contempt on her mistress.

<sup>5</sup> And Sarai said to Abram, “May the wrong done to me be on you! I gave my servant to your embrace, and when she saw that she had conceived, she looked on me with contempt. May the Lord judge between you and me!”

<sup>6</sup> But Abram said to Sarai, “Behold, your servant is in your power; do to her as you please.” Then Sarai dealt harshly with her, and she fled from her.

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the Lord found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, the spring on the way to Shur.

<sup>8</sup> And he said, “Hagar, servant of Sarai, where have you come from and where are you going?” She said, “I am fleeing from my mistress Sarai.”

<sup>9</sup> The angel of the Lord said to her, “Return to your mistress and submit to her.”

<sup>10</sup> The angel of the Lord also said to her, “I will surely multiply your offspring so that they cannot be numbered for multitude.”

<sup>11</sup> And the angel of the Lord said to her,

“Behold, you are pregnant  
and shall bear a son.

You shall call his name Ishmael,  
because the Lord has listened to your affliction.

<sup>12</sup> He shall be a wild donkey of a man,  
his hand against everyone  
and everyone's hand against him,  
and he shall dwell over against all his kinsmen.”

<sup>13</sup> So she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, “You are a God of seeing,” for she said, “Truly here I have seen him who looks after me.”

<sup>14</sup> Therefore the well was called Beer-lahai-roi; it lies between Kadesh and Bered.

*Just because you cannot see God,  
doesn't mean he doesn't see you.*

*What does it mean for God to See?*

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**He is Present (v7)**

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He is Present (v7)

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He Cares (v13)

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# God Sees You

<sup>13</sup> And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

<sup>7</sup> Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings,

<sup>15</sup> The eyes of the Lord are toward the righteous  
and his ears toward their cry.

**18** Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear  
him,  
on those who hope in his steadfast love,

<sup>7</sup> I will rejoice and be glad in your steadfast love,  
because you have seen my affliction;  
you have known the distress of my soul,

<sup>36</sup> When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

*God Sees You & God Cares for you.*

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doesn't mean he doesn't see you.*