

INTRODUCTION TO KEYS

CLASS 5 REPETITION

HAGAR
Genesis 16:3-14

NARRATOR: Hagar became pregnant. But when Hagar saw that she was pregnant, Sarai became worthless in her eyes.

Sarai (to Abram): The wrong done me is caused by you! I myself gave my maid into your arms, But now that she sees that she is pregnant, I have become worthless in her eyes. May Yahweh see-justice-done between me and you!

Abram: Here, your maid is in your hand, deal with her however seems good in your eyes.

Narrator: Sarai afflicted Hagar, so that she had to flee from her. But Yahweh's messenger found her by the eye of a spring in the wilderness, by the eye of a spring on the way to Shur.

Yahweh's messenger: Hagar, Sarai's maid, why do you come here, where are you going?

Hagar: I am fleeing from Sarai my mistress.

Yahweh's messenger: Return to your mistress and let yourself be afflicted under her hand! I will make your descendants many, yes, many, it will be too many to count! Here, you are pregnant, you will bear a son; call his name: Ishmael/God Hears, for God has heard of your being afflicted...

Narrator: Now she called the name of Yahweh, the One who was speaking to her: "You God of Seeing!"

Hagar: Have I actually gone on seeing here after his seeing me?

Narrator: Therefore the well was called: "Well of the Living-One-Who-Sees-Me."

GENESIS 22 THE OFFERING OF ISAAC

NARRATOR: God tested Abraham.

GOD: Abraham!

ABRAHAM: Here I am.

GOD: Take now your son, your only son, whom you love, Isaac, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I will tell you.

NARRATOR: So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and Isaac his son; and he split wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham raised his eyes and saw the place from a distance.

ABRAHAM (to servants): Stay here with the donkey, I and the lad will go over there; and we will worship and return to you.

NARRATOR: Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son, and he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together.

ISAAC: My father!

ABRAHAM: Here I am, my son.

ISAAC: Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?

ABRAHAM: God will see (provide) for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, my son.

NARRATOR: So the two of them walked on together. Then they came to the place of which God had told him; and Abraham built the altar there and arranged the wood, and bound his son Isaac and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven.

ANGEL: Abraham, Abraham!

ABRAHAM: Here I am

ANGEL: Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, and do nothing to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from Me.

NARRATOR: Then Abraham raised his eyes and saw, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram and offered him up for a

burnt offering in the place of his son. Abraham called the name of that place The LORD will See (Provide), as it is said to this day, "In the mount of the LORD it will be seen (provided)."

ANGEL: By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only son, indeed I will greatly bless you, and I will greatly multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of his enemies. In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.

NARRATOR: Now it came about after these things, that it was told Abraham:

MESSENGERS:

Genesis 22:20-24

Now after these events it was, that it was told to Abraham, saying:

Here, **Milca too has borne sons to Nahor your brother:**

Utz his firstborn and Buz his brother; Kemuel father of Aram, and Cesed, Hazo, Pildash, Yidlaf, and Bethuel. Now Bethuel begot **Rebecca**.

These eight Milca bore to Nahor, Abraham's brother.

And his concubine—her name was Re'uma—bore too: Tevah, Gaham, Tahash, and Maakah.

2 Kings 6: 8-13 The Arameans Plot to Capture Elisha

NARRATOR: Now the king of Aram/Syria was warring against Israel; and he counseled with his servants saying, "In such and such a place shall be my camp." The man of God sent word to the king of Israel.

ELISHA: Beware that you so not pass this place, for the Arameans are coming down there.

NARRATOR: The king of Israel sent to the place about which the man of God had told him; thus Elisha warned him, so that the king guarded himself there, more than once or twice. Now the heart of the king of Aram was enraged over this thing; and he called his servants and spoke to them.

KING OF ARAM: Will you tell me which of us is for the king of Israel?

SERVANT of King of Aram: No, my lord, O king; but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedroom.

KING OF ARAM: Go and see where he is, that I may send and take him.

SPY: Behold, he is in Dothan.

NARRATOR: The king of Aram sent horses and chariots and a great army there, and they came by night and surrounded the city.

Now when the attendant of the man of God had risen early and gone out, behold an army with horses and chariots was circling the city. And his servant spoke to him.

SERVANT OF ELISHA: Alas, my master? What shall we do?

ELISHA: Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them.

NARRATOR: Then Elisha prayed.

ELISHA: O Yahweh, I pray, open his eyes that he may see.

NARRATOR: And Yahweh opened the servant's eyes and he saw; and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. When they came down to him, Elisha prayed to Yahweh.

ELISHA: Strike this people with blindness, I pray.

NARRATOR: So He struck them with blindness according to the word of Elisha. Then Elisha spoke to them.

ELISHA: This is not the way, nor is this the city; follow me and I will bring you to the man whom you seek.

NARRATOR: And Elisha brought them to Samaria. When they had come into Samaria, Elisha spoke.

ELISHA: O Yahweh, open the eyes of these men, that they may see.

NARRATOR: So Yahweh opened their eyes and they saw; and behold, they were in the midst of Samaria. then the king of Israel when he saw them, spoke to Elisha.

KING OF ISRAEL: My father, shall I kill them? Shall I kill them?

ELISHA: You shall not kill them. Would you kill those you have taken captive with your sword and with your bow? Set bread and water before them, that they may eat and drink and go to their master.

NARRATOR: So he prepared a great feast for them; and when they had eaten and drunk he sent them away, and they went to their master. And the marauding bands of Arameans did not come again into the land of Israel.

