

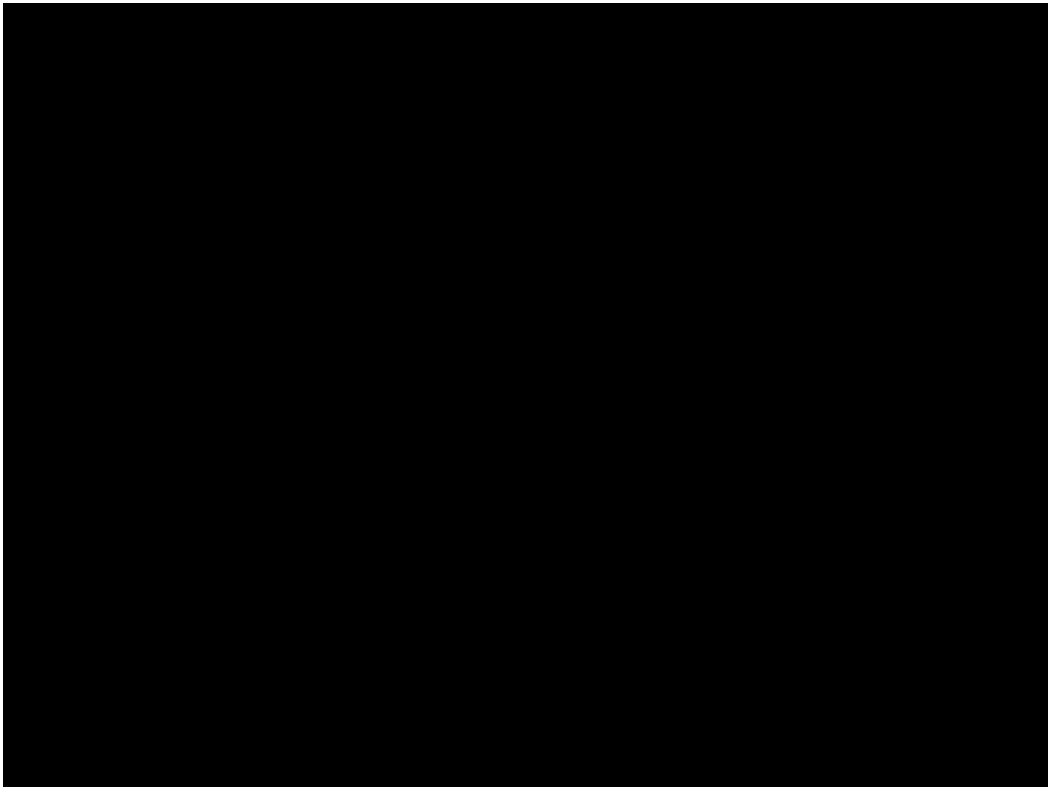
THE GOOD NEWS ACCORDING TO  
**ABRAHAM**



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And Abram agreed with Sarai's proposal. **3** So Sarai, Abram's wife, took Hagar the Egyptian servant and gave her to Abram as a wife. (This happened ten years after Abram had settled in the land of Canaan.) So Abram had sexual relations with Hagar, and she became pregnant. But when Hagar knew she was pregnant, she began to treat her mistress, Sarai, with contempt.

5 Then Sarai said to Abram, “This is all your fault! I put my servant into your arms, but now that she’s pregnant she treats me with contempt. The Lord will show who’s wrong—you or me!” 6 Abram replied, “Look, she is your servant, so deal with her as you see fit.” Then Sarai treated Hagar so harshly that she finally ran away.



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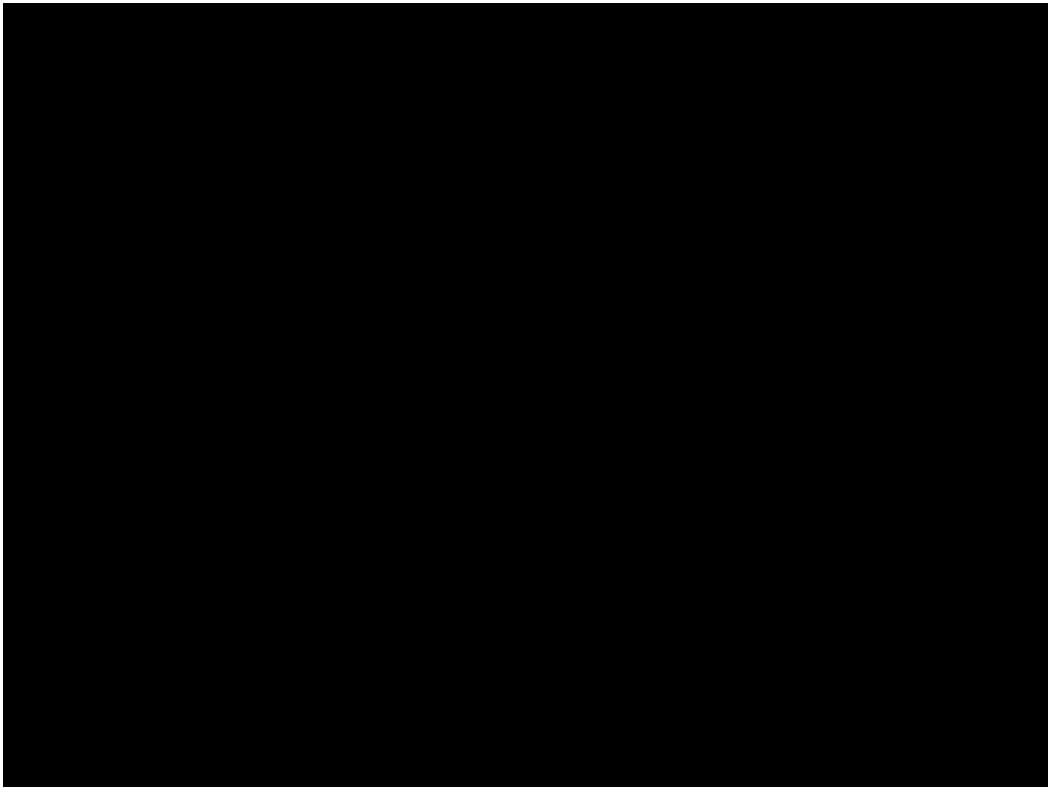
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Genesis 16:5



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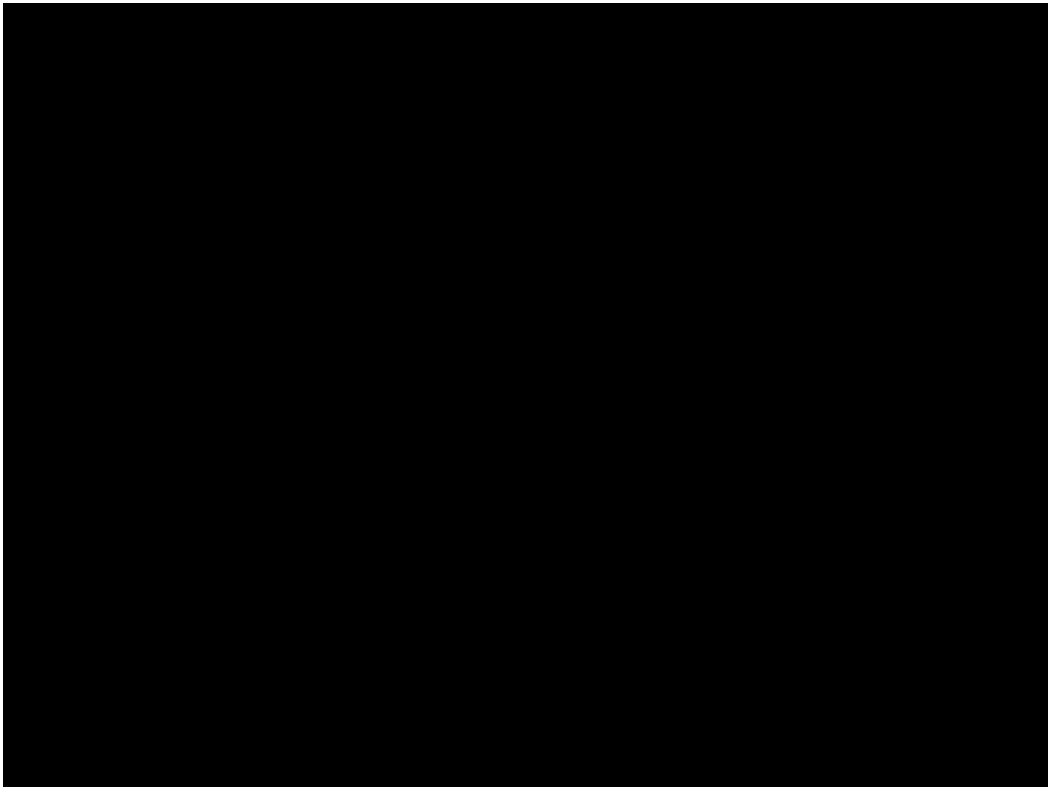
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The angel of the Lord found Hagar beside a spring of water in the wilderness, along the road to Shur. **8** The angel said to her, “Hagar, Sarai’s servant, where have you come from, and where are you going?”

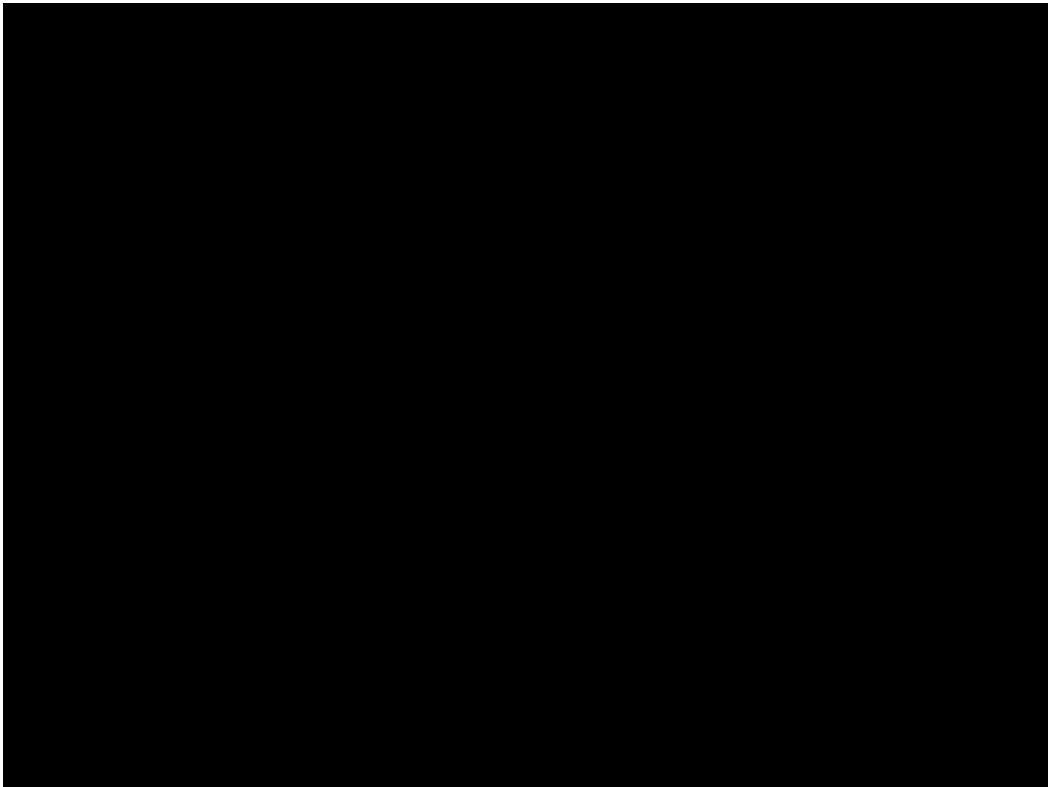
“I’m running away from my mistress, Sarai,” she replied.**9** The angel of the Lord said to her, “Return to your mistress, and submit to her authority.” Genesis 16:8,9

vs. 10 “Because I want to bless you, and I want to make you a great nation.”



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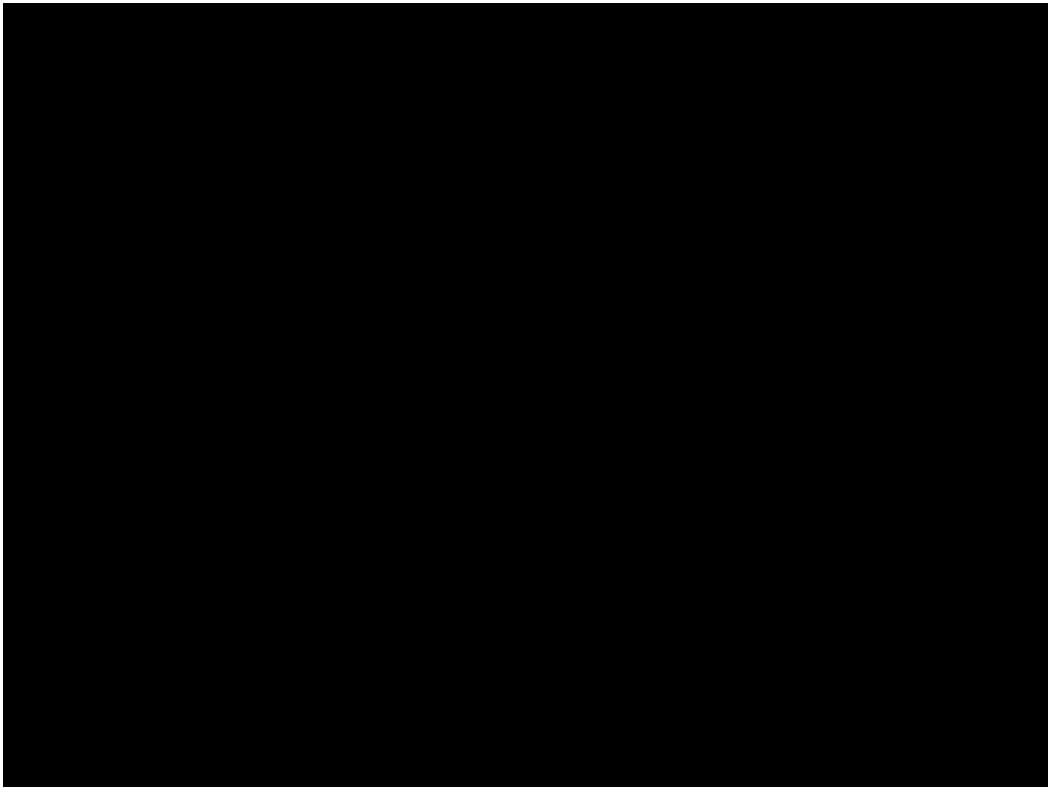
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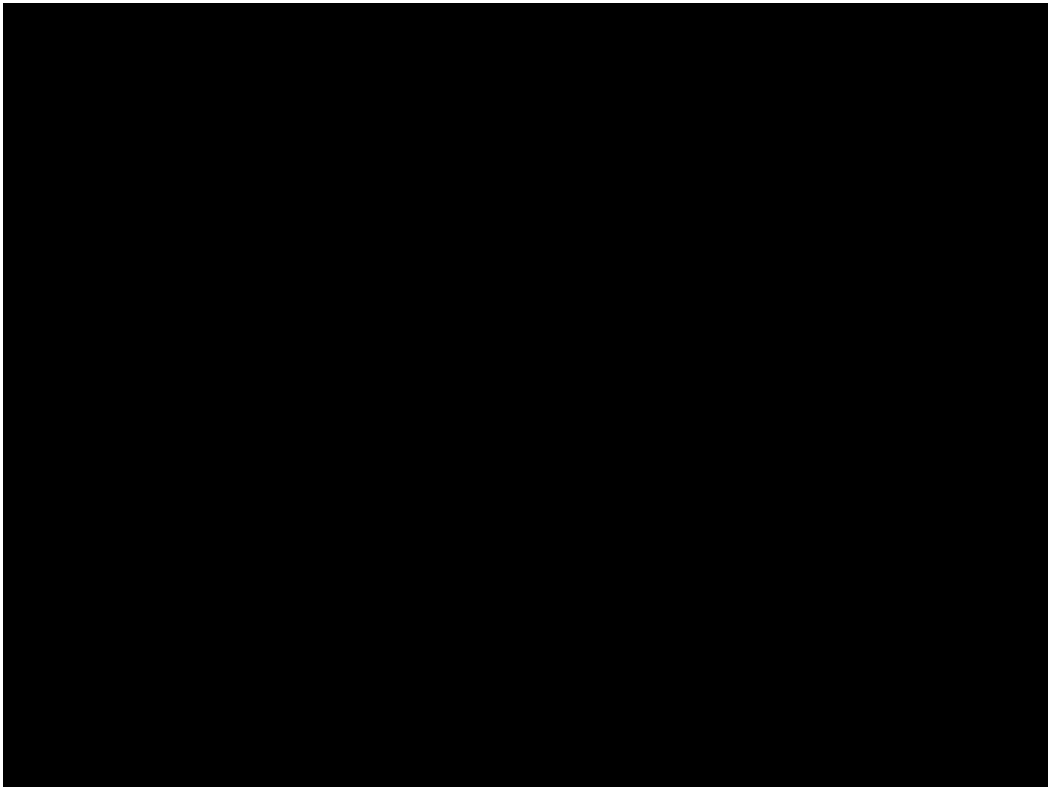


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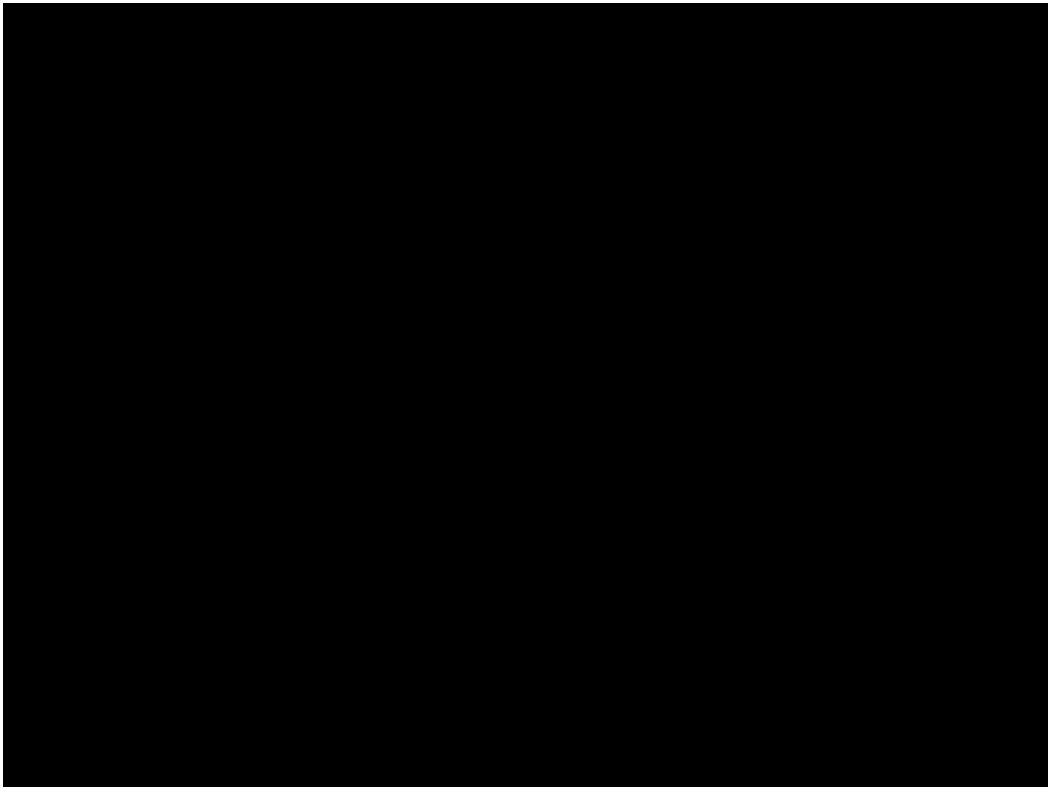
“Listen, you who want to save yourselves by obeying the law. For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave woman and the other by the free woman. His son by the slave woman was born in the ordinary way; but his son by the free woman was born as the result of a promise.” Galatians 4:22,23



“You are the God who sees me.” She also said, “Have I truly seen the One who sees me?”  
Genesis 16:13



And the angel also said, “You are now pregnant and will give birth to a son. You are to name him Ishmael (which means ‘God hears’), for the Lord has heard your cry of distress. ...<sup>13</sup> Thereafter, Hagar used another name to refer to the Lord, who had spoken to her. She said, “You are the God who sees me.”



If God is for us, who can ever be against us? **32** Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't he also give us everything else?

Romans 8:31,32



**33** Who dares accuse us....

**34** Who then will condemn us?

No one—for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us,

**35** Can anything ever separate us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have trouble or calamity, or are persecuted, or hungry, or destitute, or in danger, or threatened with death?

39 No power in the sky above  
or in the earth below—indeed,  
nothing in all creation will ever  
be able to separate us from the  
love of God that is revealed in  
Christ Jesus our Lord.

