

Genesis 16-18

Ishmael - Man's Solution (16) (Born of the Flesh)	Sign of Covenant (17)	Isaac - God's Solution (18) (Born of the Promise)
<p>Gal 4:21-31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sarai's idea - give her maid to Abram - have a child through her (1-3) - Abram ignores God's plan - listen to Sarai's plan - he listens to the voice of his wife rather than God (4) - Sarai didn't respect the reaction (consequence) of Hagar (5) - Abram hands off responsibility to Sarai (6) - Sarai treats Hagar cruelly (6) - Hagar runs away - heading toward home (7) - <u>Angel of the Lord</u> spoke to her - return and submit (8-9) - Hagar was promised that Ishmael would become a great nation (10-11) - Wild donkey - untameable, fiercely aggressive and independant - Arab nations (12) - Elroi - God who sees (13) - The well of the Living One who sees me (14) - God saw Hagar's problem - Ishmael is born 11 years after the promise to Abram 	<p>Skip another 13 years - Abram is 99 years old</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God reaffirms His covenant of many descendants (2) - Name change (5) - Abram = Abraham - Reaffirms the covenant of land as a possession for ever to the promised son (6-8) <p>Sign of the covenant - circumcision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Every male in your house - including slaves - 8 days old - Forever sign - The person not circumcised shall be cut off from the people - Divine judgment of death possible <p>God promises another son - Abraham & Sarah's son</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Isaac - a reminder that you laughed at Me - Abraham will be 100 years old - Sarah would be 90 years old - Covenant promise goes through Isaac not Ishmael <p>Abraham does as God has asked - all in his house were circumcised</p>	