

“Two Laughs, God’s Presence, An Oath”

Genesis 21

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1. Isaac born (1-8)

a. The Lord’s will and timing (1-3)

Gen. 17:21, 18:10, 14

b. Circumcised (4-5)

c. Sarah’s laughter (6-8)

Gen. 18:12, 17:19

2. Ishmael’s laughter (9-13)

a. Ishmael mocking (9)

b. Sarah’s request, Abraham’s distress (10-11)

c. God’s comforting promise (12-13)

3. Hagar and Ishmael sent away (14-21)

a. Abraham’s obedience (14)

b. Despair of Hagar and Ishmael (15-16)

c. God’s comfort and promise and provision (17-21)

Gen. 16:7, 14 Angel of the Lord appears to Hagar, water too

4. Beersheba, “Well of the Oath” (22-34)

a. Non-believers notice God’s blessings (22)

b. Believers can be a bad witness (23)

c. The oath: 3x3 (24-34)