

Week 4: November 16, 2024

Shabbat Message

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[Genesis 18:1-22:24](#)

My Way or Yah's Way

Two Women, Two Ways

Introduction

In this portion this week we see some very famous accounts that we also touch on during the other parts of the year such as the binding of Isaac during Yom Teruah and Yom Kippur. We see the covenant that Abraham made with Abimelech and how the city of Beer Sheva was established. Some of the cities in Israel day back as far back Abraham and Sarah. How could that not be evidence that the land belongs to Israel and no other people. We are occupiers of our own land. This week we are in line with our series this year My Way or Yahs way as we look

at the two women that started two very different people groups.

Genesis 21:1-2

1. Yehovah visited Sarah just as He said He would
2. At the appointed time Isaac was born. Yehovah has an appointed time for all things!
3. He also had appointed times for us to keep.

Genesis 21:3-4

1. Abraham named his son who was born to him Isaac just as Yehovah told him to because they both laughed.
2. Abraham then circumcised Isaac as what Yehovah told him to do.
3. Circumcision did not start with Moses but started with Abraham. Moshe just reiterated what Abraham was told to do. Genesis 17

Genesis 21:8-10

1. As Isaac grew and was weaned Abraham threw a hug feast
2. Sarah saw the Ishmael the son of Hagar making fun of Isaac the son of Sarah.
3. Sarah to Abraham to drive out Ishmael because He is a threat to Isaac.

Genesis 21:13

1. Sarah is symbolic for those who are walking in the Torah of Yehovah and not of the Talmud or who are the Judaizers. (Those who believe you must be circumcised to be saved).
2. The Jerusalem that is above that is free. What does this mean? It doesn't mean what you have heard it being taught in the Church.
3. She is our mother meaning this is our origins. Here Paul doesn't call Rome our Mother but the Heavenly Jerusalem. (Philippians 3:20; Hebrews 13:14; Ephesians 2:19).

Genesis 21:9

1. Hagar is symbolic of the Jerusalem of the earth or Mount Sinai....slavery.
2. Was Paul calling Mt Sinai Covenant slavery NO! He was saying all of those who choose to follow Talmud or Traditions of Men for Salvation are in bondage. He was not speaking against the Torah.
3. The Jerusalem of earth right now as we know is not walking in the ways of Yehovah. They have abandoned Yehovah and His Torah.

Take Away

1. Circumcision began with Abraham and not Moses.

2. Isaac was the promised Seed of Abraham and Ishmael even though Ishmael will be a great nation.
3. We are children of the Heaven Jerusalem and not the earthly Jerusalem.

Application

1. I will be thankful that Yeshua circumcised my heart of flesh!
2. I will live as a citizen of the Heavenly Jerusalem and walking according to Yeshua's commands.
3. I will not live in the flesh where there is bondage and corruption.

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