

- 7) Abraham was reluctant to send Ishmael away because he was his own flesh and blood.
- 8) God spoke to Abraham
 - i) "I want you to do what Sarah has said."
 - ii) "But I want you to know something. Because Ishmael is your own flesh and blood, I am going to cause a great nation to descend from him."
- 9) Abraham gives Hagar and Ishmael food and water and tells them to go.
- 10) They go toward Egypt.
 - i) They run out of water.
 - ii) It looks like they are going to die.
 - iii) The Lord appears to her (21:17-18).
 - iv) She then opens her eyes and she saw a well: Beerlaharoi, meaning "A well of the Living One who sees me"
- 11) Hagar takes Ishmael to the desert of Paran.
 - i) Ishmael grew up to be a hunter.
 - ii) Hagar found for him an Egyptian wife.
- 12) Abraham came to Beersheba
 - i) Abraham was getting very powerful and Abimelech is concerned about this.
 - ii) Abimelech and the captain of his army, Phicol, goes to Beersheba where Abraham is:
 - a) Abimelech reminds Abraham of the kindness he has shown to him.
 - b) He recognized that God made Abraham powerful.
 - c) He wants to make a treaty with Abraham to show kindness to him.
 - d) Abraham says that before they make this treaty, they have to settle the matter about the well which Abraham dug and Abimelech's servants took away from him.
 - iii) Abimelech gives him back the well and they make a treaty.
 - a) Abraham brought sheep and cattle and gave them to Abimelech as a pledge that he was going to keep this treaty and show kindness to Abimelech as Abimelech did to him.
 - b) But ~~then~~ ^{then Abraham} he took seven ewe lambs out of the flock ^{and gave them to Abimelech}.
 - c) Why did he do that? Abraham wanted Abimelech to accept the lambs so that by accepting them, he will acknowledge that this well belongs to Abraham.