

**LESSON 15 GENESIS 23-25:18**

1. What was your takeaway from last week’s study **Genesis 21-22**, and how is that significant for you?

2. Pray and ask God to reveal His character to you as well as “Gospel Glimpses” as you read

**Genesis 23-25:18.**

3. a) **Genesis 23** records details surrounding the death of Sarah. In **V4-6,** how does Abraham refer to himself, and how do the Hittites refer to Abraham when he approaches them about buying land for a burial site for Sarah?

b) Including the information given in **V7-9**, what does this interaction with the Hittites tell you about Abraham’s character? What does it say about God’s provision?

4. a) Read **V10-16**. Why do you think Abraham insisted on paying for the land even though Ephron and others would have given it to him?

b) How does the interaction between Abraham and Ephron convict or encourage you to show honor and respect to someone in your life? Explain. (See also **Matthew 7:12**.)

5. In your own words, sum up what takes place between Abraham and his servant in **Genesis 24:1-9.**

6. a) Read **V10-14**. What is impressed upon you as you “listen in” on Abraham’s servant’s prayer? What phrase stands out to you in **V15**?

b) After God clearly answered the servant’s prayer (**V16-49**), what was the servant’s immediate response, according to **V26-27** and **V48**?

c) Reflect on this part of scripture and your answers for questions 6a and b. How have the prayer accounts in this passage encouraged or convicted you in your own prayer life?

7. a) Though Rebekah’s family ultimately gave Rebekah a blessing and sent her on her way, what may have been going on in their the hearts and minds in **V50-V57**?

b) Have you ever found yourself delaying or wavering on something even when you knew God was prompting you to move forward? If so, explain the circumstances and why you dragged your feet.

8. a) What are some qualities of Rebekah that surface in **Genesis 24**, and what more is implied about her as the story unfolds in **V58-V67**?

9. What warms your heart and/or amazes you about God in this chapter of Isaac and Rebekah’s story?

10. As you read the epilogue of Abraham’s life **Genesis 25:1-18,** what are ways that God continues to fulfill His Word and promises regarding his two sons Isaac and Ishmael? (For help see **Genesis 16:12; 17:19-21** and **21:12-13,18**.)

11. From the scripture covered in this lesson, do you get a sense that God is planting in you fresh seeds of encouragement and/or **ROOTING** you more deeplyin areas of trusting or obeying Him? If so, explain.

**“GOSPEL GLIMPSES”:** Throughout the Book of Genesis, we will see previews of Jesus, and a foreshadowing of the Gospel (The Salvation Story).

1. a) We see God’s sovereignty as He fulfills His promises in today’s passage. How does **Romans 8:28-29** highlight God’s faithfulness in accomplishing His eternal purposes in Isaac’s story?

b) How have you seen God working out His eternal purposes in your story?

2. a) Who are the two recipients of God’s promise according to **Galatians 3:16**? (For further clarity, try re-reading the verse in the NLT version.)

b) Read **Galatians 3:7-9.** As believers, how does that make us recipients as well?

4. a) Write out the Suggested Memory Verse: **Genesis 24:12** or **Romans 8:28**

b) Write a prayer of gratitude for God’s sovereignty and His provision in your life.

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