

## GOD, CAN YOU BLESS THIS MESS?

Genesis 16  
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Abraham is the father of all who believe - Romans 4:16 (NLT)

Abram: High Father (Strong's)  
(God) I will make you a great nation...Abram was seventy-five  
- Genesis 12:2-4 (NASU)  
And I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth  
- Genesis 13:15-16 (NKJV)

But Abram said, "Lord God, what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" Then Abram said, "Look, You have given me no offspring; indeed one born in my house is my heir!" - Genesis 15:2-3 (NKJV)

Sarai: My Princess (EBD, HBD, SBD)  
**So far, Abram and Sarai are \_\_\_\_\_ but they speak the \_\_\_\_\_ not the \_\_\_\_\_ Sarai \_\_\_\_\_ God and both are \_\_\_\_\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_**

**Sarai's first recorded words:**  
"The Lord has kept me from having children. - Genesis 16:2 (NIV)

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.  
- Psalms 84:11 (NKJV)

**Hagar:** Flight (EBD, ISBE, NBD, SBD) \_\_\_\_\_

Now there was a famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt...(Pharaoh) treated Abram well for her sake, and Abram acquired sheep and cattle...male, menservants and maidservants,  
- Genesis 12:10-16

**Big \_\_\_\_\_ without big \_\_\_\_\_ lead to big \_\_\_\_\_**

Sarai said to Abram, "It's all your fault. For now this servant girl of mine despises me, though I myself gave her the privilege of being your wife. May the Lord judge you for doing this to me!" (v.5) (TLB)

**Jesus shows up when she's in a desert, about to hit a \_\_\_\_\_ in her life and feels completely \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.7-8)**  
Shur: shuwr - a wall (Strong's, EBD, ISBE) enclosure (NBD)

**God doesn't accept this attempt to fulfill His promise (v.9)**

(v.12)  
...he will live in hostility toward all his brothers."  
- Genesis 16:12 (NIV)

Then she called the name of the Lord (YHWH) who spoke to her, "You are a God (El) who sees (ro' iy)"; for she said, "Have I even remained alive here after seeing Him?" Therefore the well was called Beer (well)-lahai (Lives)-roi (sees); behold, it is between Kadesh (holy) and Bered (hail). - Genesis 16:13-14 (NASB95)

Jehovah El Roi: The God who sees me (K&D) Looks out for me  
Beer-lahai-roi: The well of the living one, who sees me (K&D)

**He is the God who \_\_\_\_\_ me and \_\_\_\_\_ for me (v.11)**  
Because the Lord (YHWH) has heard (shama) your affliction.  
- Genesis 16:11 (NKJV)  
Shama: to hear intelligently (Strong's)

**Hagar the Egyptian \_\_\_\_\_ God's promise and returns in \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.15-16)**  
Ishmael: God hears (Easton's) Yi-shama-el