

The Treaty of Beersheba

Genesis 21

Introduction: Genesis 21 might be the most highly _____ chapter in all the Bible. It finally cuts the tension that Abraham's household and we as readers have been suffering under for so long. God finally delivers (or at least starts to deliver) on the _____ he made to Abraham back in Genesis 12. In Genesis 21, we see the fulfillment of the Genesis 12 promise as Abraham is blessed with a _____ from God and a _____ from another nation.

I. Genesis 21:1-7: _____ is born.

A. Three things to notice:

1. God's _____ (21:1)
2. The _____ of Abraham and Sarah.
3. The amount of _____.

II. Genesis 21:8-21: Laughter is _____.

- A. Fight for the real _____. (21:9; Galatians 4:29)
- B. Abraham's is _____.
- C. God gives grace _____ of Abraham's family.

III. Genesis 21:22-34: Abraham _____ with Abimelech.

- A. Abraham gets _____. (21:22-24)
- B. A hint at future _____. (21:34)
- C. Beersheba becomes the _____ boarder of the promised land.