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1. Listening to ungodly counsel



[1] Now Sarai, Abram's wife had borne him no children, and she had an Egyptian maid whose name was Hagar. [2] So Sarai said to Abram, "Now behold, the Lord has prevented me from bearing children. Please go in to my maid; perhaps I shall obtain children through her." And Abram listened to the voice of Sarai.

Genesis 16:1-2 (NASB)

God often leads us
through godly counsel.



*Where there is no guidance the people fall,
But in abundance of counselors there is victory.*

Proverbs 11:14 (NASB)

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[22] And the Lord God fashioned into a woman the rib which He had taken from the man, and brought her to the man. [23] And the man said, "This is now bone of my bones, And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man." [24] For this cause a man shall leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.

Genesis 2:22-24 (NASB)

Obeying God's principles
brings God's protection.



Let integrity and uprightness preserve me.

Psalm 25:21 (NASB)



He who walks in integrity walks securely.

Proverbs 10:9 (NASB)

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And he went in to Hagar, and she conceived; and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her sight.

Genesis 16:4 (NASB)

Every decision brings
with it consequences.



Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.

Galatians 6:7 (NASB)

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[5] And Sarai said to Abram, "May the wrong done me be upon you. I gave my maid into your arms; but when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her sight. May the Lord judge between you and me."

Genesis 16:5 (NASB)



[6] But Abram said to Sarai, "Behold, your maid is in your power; do to her what is good in your sight." So Sarai treated her harshly, and she fled from her presence.

Genesis 16:6 (NASB)

Only when we own our
problems can we find
solutions for them.



If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves, and the truth is not in us. [9] If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8-9 (NASB)



[9] Then they said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "Behold, in the tent." [10] And he said, "I will surely return to you at this time next year; and behold, Sarah your wife shall have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door, which was behind him.

Genesis 18:9-10 (NASB)



[11] Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; Sarah was past childbearing. [12] And Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have become old, shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?' [13] And the Lord said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, saying, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, when I am so old?''

Genesis 18:11-13



[14] "Is anything too difficult for the Lord? At the appointed time I will return to you, at this time next year, and Sarah shall have a son."

Genesis 18:14



[1] Then the Lord took note of Sarah as He had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as He had promised. [2] So Sarah conceived and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the appointed time of which God had spoken to him. [3] And Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore to him, Isaac.

Genesis 21:1-3 (NASB)



[4] Then Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. [5] Now Abraham was one hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. [6] And Sarah said, "God has made laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me."

Genesis 21:4-6



[7] And she said, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

Genesis 21:7

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Thank you for coming!

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