

“Guidance Needed” - Genesis 24:12-20, 24-27

Ask - “Have you ever asked the Lord for guidance? Share your story.”

Background - After his testing on Mount Moriah, Abraham returned home with his son Isaac. Not long afterward, his wife Sarah died and was buried. As Abraham advanced in age, he decided to take a bride for his son Isaac from among his own family.

“A Sign Is Sought” - Genesis 24:12-14

(v12) Read verses 1-11 and discuss. What was Abraham’s servant’s prayer?

(v13) Where was the servant standing and what was happening there?

(v14) What specific sign did the servant ask God to give him as an indication of the correct woman?

ABRAHAM’S SERVANT SOUGHT THE LORD’S GUIDANCE IN CHOOSING THE RIGHT YOUNG WOMAN TO BECOME ISAAC’S WIFE.

“The Sign Is Shown” - Genesis 24:15-20

(v15-16) As he was speaking, who came to the well? How is she described in these verses?

(v17-18) What did the servant ask of her and did she comply?

(v19-20) What then did she voluntarily offer and do? Did this fulfill the sign that was requested in verse 14?

REBEKAH OFFERED A DRINK TO THE SERVANT AND TO HIS CAMELS, THEREBY FULFILLING THE SIGN THAT HE’D PRAYED FOR.

“The Servant Responds” - Genesis 24:24-27

(v24) Read verses 21-23 and discuss. How was Rebekah related to Abraham?

(v25) What did the servant ask of her (see v 23) and did she grant his request?

(v26-27) How did Abraham’s servant respond to God after he found Rebekah? What did he say?

REBEKAH INVITED THE SERVANT TO STAY AT HER HOUSE. HE REJOICED THAT THE LORD HAD GUIDED HIM TO HER.

Application - The Lord led Abraham's servant to Rebekah. He asked for a sign to reveal her to him, and the Lord answered. She was the Lord's chosen bride for Isaac. The servant rejoiced after finding her. There have been many times in my life that I have asked God for direction and guidance. Sometimes I've even asked Him to show me a sign or make His will very clear to me. He's always been faithful to answer. What is the Lord leading you to do during this season of your life? Do you need further guidance? Pray and ask.