

Genesis 16:1-6 – Abram, Sarai and Hagar

Assessing the Situation. (Genesis 16:1-4a)

-Sarai: The Lord has kept me from having children. I can build a family for myself. (Genesis 16:2)

-Abram: Believed God's promise. (Genesis 15:4-6). Went along.

When the Plan Fell Apart. . . (Genesis 16:4b-6)

-Hagar: Despise Sarai (Genesis 16:4)

-Sarai: Resent Hagar; Blame Abram; Justify herself (Genesis 16:5)

-Abram: Strangely passive. (Genesis 16:6)

We Try to Get Ahead of God

-Believe God's promises, but get discontent, desperate or confused

-Take matters into our own hands without asking God.

-Wander in to bad places.

-We can never do as well as God.

“But the son of the slave woman was born according to the flesh, while the son of the free woman was born through promise.”

-Galatians 4:23

QUESTIONS:

1. What promises are you waiting on?
2. Are you content to wait?