



Sarah's Decision and Hagar's Rescue Genesis 16

Discussion Questions:

1. In what ways do we try to help God out? In what ways do we try to work for our salvation? Value? Identity? What would it look like to *receive* God's good gifts rather than try to go after them ourselves?
2. Often, we think being a Christian means we should experience less trouble in this world. List followers of God in the Old and New Testament who endured hardship. Have you experienced the Lord's peace, presence, and comfort in a time of suffering? Would you share with the group if you feel comfortable?
3. What does it mean to focus on who we are *becoming* over what we are *doing*? How can we make this mental shift?