



GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

**October 20, 2024**

**Genesis 21:1-34**

**“Isaac Is Born!... But There’s More to the Story”**

## **QUESTIONS**

*(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)*

1. The birth of Isaac is presented matter-of-factly. What does this reveal about the writer of Genesis’s belief in the power of God?
2. The story of Isaac’s birth reminds us of the call to wait on the Lord to bring His will to pass. Why is waiting hard? Do you tend to worry and complain in the waiting? How can you worship God through the uncertainty?
3. Isaac’s birth reminds us of the joy of fulfilled promises. What promises has he fulfilled in your life? How can the joy of God’s fulfilled promises help us in waiting for unfulfilled ones?
4. The actions of Sarah toward Hagar and Ishmael are some of the most problematic in Scripture. How are Christians to make sense of them?
5. God does not abandon Hagar and her son. What should the fact that God responds to the cries of the oppressed lead Christians to do?
6. God is the god who sees and hears. What are the implications for us?
7. The theme of God as “the Lord, the everlasting God” recurs throughout redemptive history (Psalm 90:2; Hebrews 13:8). What does this mean for us?