Lesson Text: Genesis 21:1-10

King James Version (KJV)

I. A TRIUMPH (Genesis 21:1-5)

1. And the Lord visited Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did unto Sarah as he had spoken.

2. For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.

3. And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac.

4. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac being eight days old, as God had commanded him.

5. And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.

II. A TESTIMONY (Genesis 21:6-8)

6. And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with me.
7. And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that
Sarah should have given children suck? for I have born him a son in his old age.

8. And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the same day that Isaac was weaned.

III. A TURN OF EVENTS (Genesis 21:9-10)

9. And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking.

10. Wherefore she said unto Abraham, Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac.

New International Version (NIV)

I. A TRIUMPH (Genesis 21:1-5)

1. Now the Lord was gracious to Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah what he had promised.

2. Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the very time God had promised him.

3. Abraham gave the name Isaac to the son Sarah bore him.
4. When his son Isaac was eight days old, Abraham circumcised him, as God commanded him.

5. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.

II. A TESTIMONY (Genesis 21:6-8)

6. Sarah said, “God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me.”

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

8. The child grew and was weaned, and on the day Isaac was weaned Abraham held a great feast.

III. A TURN OF EVENTS (Genesis 21:9-10)

9. But Sarah saw that the son whom Hagar the Egyptian had borne to Abraham was mocking,

10. and she said to Abraham, “Get rid of that slave woman and her son, for that woman’s son will never share in the inheritance with my son Isaac.”
PRACTICAL POINTS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Sometimes the greatest test that we face as Christians is the test of waiting for God to fulfill His purpose in us (Genesis 21:1-3; Isaiah 40:31).

2. When God gives us children, He also gives us instructions so that we may direct them in the right pathway (Genesis 21:4; Proverbs 22:6).

3. When God calls on us to perform a specific task, it is foolish to worry about the age factor, because He will give us the needed capabilities (Genesis 21:5-7).

4. We should always be ready to celebrate the Lord for His favor to us (Genesis 21:8).

5. God often uses even the wrong responses of men to accomplish His sovereign will (Genesis 21:9-10).
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