

BELPRES CHURCH

Sermon Title: God Who Sees Me

Scripture: Genesis 16:7-10, 13

⁷The angel of the LORD found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. ⁸And he said, "Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?"

"I'm running away from my mistress Sarai," she answered.

⁹Then the angel of the LORD told her, "Go back to your mistress and submit to her." ¹⁰The angel added, "I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count."

¹³She gave this name to the LORD who spoke to her: "You are the God who sees me," for she said, "I have now seen^[a] the One who sees me."

Discussion Questions: Read Genesis 16:1-16, 21:8-21

Opening Questions:

- ICEBREAKER: Are you a traveler or a homebody?
- Introduce yourself to your group. Share your name, area you live in, and why you decided to join an All In group this winter.

Scripture Reflection Questions -- Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- What do we learn about God (e.g., traits, personality, what matters, priorities) in this passage and sermon?
- What do we learn about people, and ourselves in particular, this week?

Sermon Reflection Questions – Reflecting on this week's sermon, discuss the following:

- Who do you like the most in this story? Who do you like the least? Explain.
- What does Hagar teach us about faith and following God?

Closing Question and Application:

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- Given what we've discussed together today, how might God want you apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week?
- Who might you share this with?