

"From the cowardice that shrinks from new truth, from the laziness that is content with half-truths, from the arrogance that thinks it knows all truth, O, God of Truth, deliver us."



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## The Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil

### --Passage - Genesis Chapter 3

The tree was a real tree with real fruit though we do not know what it was. However, I believe its purpose was simply a test of obedience. It shows we have free will. It did give a knowledge of good and evil. That made my mind go to "I create good and evil "(that is calamity, sorrow, trouble, and other words that this word "Ra" means.

### Experiential

God put before us good and calamity, or sorrow, or consequence of actual experiential knowledge. Before sin they had not experienced any calamity or sorrow. They did not have a knowledge experientially of calamity or sorrow till they ate the fruit of that tree.

Disobedience makes us become wise to what is good for us and what is bad for us. When we disobey we know consequences and experience them. Now they would know soreness, pain, sorrow, disease, death, loss of loved ones etc.

After they sinned, God said, "Now man has become as one of Us and knows good and evil." God is all-knowing and He could foresee all the calamity that disobedience brings. So the devil did not tell a complete lie, he just did not reveal the whole truth.

However, he totally lied when he said that they would not surely die.

Eve experienced calamity. If you do as she did:

- × You break God's Law; you sin - vs 6
- × You bring others into your sin - vs 8
- × You don't desire God's presence - vs 7
- × You lie – vs 10
- × You try to cover your sin - vs 12
- × You blame others for your sin - vs 12
- × You become ashamed – vs 8
- × You suffer the consequences of your sin - vs 17
- × You will be separated from God – vs 24
- × You fight with your mate – vs 12
- × You fall into the power of the devils deceit

Eve now knew good from evil.

Eve now experienced calamity but not how to refrain from it.

Satan violated every rule of ethical salesmanship. By the rules of our country the contract would have been invalid.

- × He got the woman to sign without the knowledge of her husband.
- × He misrepresented the competitor's product and the competitor's motives.
- × He did not reveal the disadvantages of his own product.
- × He did not disclose all the information concerning the sale. (No disclosure page.)
- × He oversold the advantages of his product.

Adam could have nullified the contract by not eating the fruit, just as a man may nullify a contract that his wife signs without his permission. This was also God's rule in the Old Testament concerning a woman making an oath.

**Numbers 30:10-16**, "10 And if she vowed in her husband's house, or bound her soul by a bond with an oath; 11 And her husband heard *it*, and held his peace at her, *and* disallowed her not: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand. 12 But if her husband hath utterly made them void on the day he heard *them*; *then* whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the

bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void; and the LORD shall forgive her. 13 Every vow, and every binding oath to afflict the soul, her husband may establish it, or her husband may make it void. 14 But if her husband altogether hold his peace at her from day to day; then he establisheth all her vows, or all her bonds, which *are* upon her: he confirmeth them, because he held his peace at her in the day that he heard *them*. 15 But if he shall any ways make them void after that he hath heard *them*; then he shall bear her iniquity. 16 These *are* the statutes, which the LORD commanded Moses, between a man and his wife, between the father and his daughter, *being yet* in her youth in her father's house."

**John 8:44**, "Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it."

And note the truth of **1 John 2:16**, "For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh (*good for food*), and the lust of the eyes (*pleasant to the eyes*), and the pride of life (*you shall be as gods*), is not of the Father, but is of the world."

Be careful of Adam and Eve's sin.

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## Dear Brother Carter:

Could the apostles forgive sins? **John 20:20-23**

"20 When He had said this, He showed them [His] hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on [them], and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 **"If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the [sins] of any, they are retained."**"

### Answer:

Here are a few things to consider here.

1. **In this passage, Jesus is sending the apostles out as His ambassadors.**

This is what is indicated both by His breathing on them as a king would do when sending out ambassadors, and His statement in **verse 23**. The symbolism of breathing on your ambassadors was that you are putting your breath (words) into them and now they may speak on your behalf. Ambassadors could proclaim the terms of peace between parties. The Ambassadors did not determine those terms, but they were authorized to proclaim them to the "enemy".

2. **It is clear that only God can forgive sins. Even the Scribes and Pharisees understood this.**

"5 When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you." 6 And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts, 7 **"Why does this [Man] speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"** Mark 2:5-7

"20 When He saw their faith, He said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you." 21 And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, **"Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"**" Luke 5:20-21

"2 Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; **your sins are forgiven you.**" 3 And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, **"This Man blasphemes!"**" Matthew 9:2-3

God is the one who is offended by our sins and only He can grant forgiveness. However, the apostles, as His ambassadors, were given the authority to announce the terms of forgiveness to man. This they did in the book of **Acts**.

3. **The book of Acts and the epistles give us no account or hint that the apostles could actually forgive sins like God.**

What they do show is that the apostles announced the terms of pardon, nothing more and nothing less.

**4. A good case in point is Simon the Sorcerer.**

When Peter rebuked him for trying to buy the ability to pass on the miraculous gifts, he did not presume to absolve him of his sin. Instead, he told him to repent and pray to the Lord that if possible he may be forgiven.

**“Repent therefore of this your wickedness, and pray God if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you.” Acts 8:22**

Simon responded by asking Peter to also pray to the Lord for him.

**“Then Simon answered and said, “Pray to the Lord for me, that none of the things which you have spoken may come upon me.”” Acts 8:24**

If Peter could actually forgive sins himself, this would have been a perfect time to do so. However, he left that to the Lord.

**5. A similar thing is seen in Paul’s ministry.**

He said that through preaching, Jesus’ forgiveness was proclaimed to them. He goes on to say that, by Him, everyone who believes is justified. Paul is not granting forgiveness, he is proclaiming the terms of forgiveness.

**“38 “Therefore let it be known to you, brethren, that through this Man is preached to you the forgiveness of sins; 39 “and by Him everyone who believes is justified from all things from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses.” Acts 13:38-39**

Similarly, Paul tells Agrippa that Jesus sent him to the Gentiles to turn them to light that they may receive the forgiveness of sins.

Again he is not granting forgiveness, but proclaiming the terms of forgiveness.

**“To open their eyes, [in] [order] to turn [them] from darkness to light, and [from] the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.” Acts 26:18**

Even when Paul recalls that all had deserted him, he doesn’t pronounce forgiveness upon them but prays that it not be charged against them.

**“At my first defense no one stood with me, but all forsook me. May it not be charged against them.” II Timothy 4:16**

**6. This is the consistent pattern throughout Acts and the epistles.**

Even in **Revelation** as each of the seven churches is addressed, it is Jesus, not John, who is promising either forgiveness or judgment depending on their repentance.

**7. Also consider that Paul disciplined his body daily to keep it in subjection lest after preaching to others he would become disqualified.**

If he could forgive sins as an apostle, why would he have any worries about being a castaway? Couldn’t he simply have granted himself forgiveness?

**“But I discipline my body and bring [it] into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.” I Corinthians 9:27**

**8. The apostle John writes that if we confess our sins, God forgives us.**

Notice that God is doing the forgiving. Also notice that John says that “if WE confess our sins”, which includes him. If the apostles could forgive sins, then there’s no need for God to forgive sins. Further – John could forgive his own sin. But yet he includes himself as receiving forgiveness from God through confession of sin.

**“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” I John 1:9**

**9. Finally consider what some of the commentators have said on this topic.**

*“It is certain God alone can forgive sins; and it would not only be blasphemous, but grossly absurd, to say that any creature could remit the guilt of a transgression which had been committed against the Creator. The apostles received from the Lord the doctrine of reconciliation, and the doctrine of condemnation. They who believed on the Son of God, in consequence of their preaching, had their sins remitted; and they who would not believe were declared to lie under condemnation.” Adam Clarke*

*“The power to forgive sin belongs only to God, but Jesus claimed to have this power and right (Mark 2:5-7). What he commits to the disciples and to us is the power and privilege of giving assurance of the forgiveness of sins by God by correctly announcing the terms of forgiveness. There is no proof that he actually transferred to the apostles or their successors the power in and of themselves to forgive sins. In **Matthew 16:19; 18:18** we have a similar use of the rabbinical metaphor of binding and loosing by proclaiming and teaching. Jesus put into the hands of Peter and of all believers the keys of the*



Kingdom which we should use to open the door for those who wish to enter.” **Robertson’s Word Pictures**

**“The meaning of the passage is not that man can forgive sins--that belongs only to God, but that they should be inspired; that in founding the church, and in declaring the will of God, they should be taught by the Holy Ghost to declare on what terms, to what characters, and to what temper of mind God would extend forgiveness of sins. It was not authority to forgive individuals, but to establish in all the churches the terms and conditions on which men might be pardoned, with a promise that God would confirm all that they taught; that all might have assurance of forgiveness who would comply with those terms; and that those who did not comply should not be forgiven, but that their sins should be retained. This commission is as far as possible from the authority which the Roman Catholic claims of remitting sin and of pronouncing pardon.” Barnes**

*“This text hath caused a great deal of contest. All remission of sins is either authoritative; so it is most true, that none can forgive sin but God; and if we had no Scripture to prove it, yet reason will tell us none can discharge the debtor but the creditor, to whom the debt is owing: or else ministerial; thus he who is not the creditor (amongst men) may remit a debt by virtue of a letter of attorney made to him, authorizing him so to do. The question therefore amongst divines is, Whether Christ in this text hath given authority to his ministers actually to discharge men of the guilt of their sins; or only to declare unto them, that if their repentance and faith be true, their sins are really forgiven them? The former is by many contended for; but it doth not seem reasonable,*

1. That God should entrust men with such a piece of his prerogative.
2. That God, who knoweth the falsehood of men's hearts, and the inability in the best ministers to judge of the truth of any man's faith or repentance, as also the passions to which they are subject, should give unto any of the sons of men an absolute power under him, and in his name, to discharge any from the guilt of sin; for certain it is, that without true repentance and faith in Christ no man hath his sins forgiven; so as no minister, that knoweth not the hearts of men, can possibly speak with any certainty to any man, saying, his sins are forgiven.” **Matthew Poole**

I think the rest of Scripture is pretty clear. It is God that we will all answer to, not the apostles,

**“In the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel” Romans 2:16**

“10 But why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For **we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.** 11 For it is written: “As I live, says the Lord, Every knee shall bow to Me, And every tongue shall confess to God.” 12 So then **each of us shall give account of himself to God.” Romans 14:10-12**

“For **we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ,** that each one may receive the things [done] in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.” **II Corinthians 5:10**

“Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which **the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day,** and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.” **II Timothy 4:8**

**“They will give an account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead.” I Peter 4:5**

“11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. 12 **And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God,** and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is [the] [Book] of Life. **And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.** 13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. 14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.” **Revelation 20:11-15**

### ---- One-Liners ----

What is politics? This word comes from two words, “poly” which means “many” and “tics” which are nasty little blood suckers – thus we have politicians.

A bigot is someone who will not celebrate my sin.

Sensitivity training is institutionally required brainwashing.

Remember this rule. Minorities are the only ones allowed to bully without consequences.

Global warming is what you get when Chicken Little gets a PhD or when a politician is running for office.

Global warming is the litmus test of one’s intelligence for pseudo intellectuals’ approval.

A woman's right to choose should be exercised before conception.

Some people are so worried about being on the right side of History that they will end up on the wrong side of eternity.

## IS GENESIS A MYTH?

If one read the book of Genesis without pre-conceived ideas and as if he lived in 1400 BC, before so called modern science and dozens of unbelievers' hypothesis, what would he conclude?

No Doubt:

- That God created the heavens and the earth in six literal 24-hour days that had evenings and mornings and rested on the seventh day.
- That the Garden of Eden was unique from the rest of the world and had everything that was needed by man for contentment and peace with God.
- That Eve, the first woman, was deceived by a sinister personality and that her husband joined her in her sin.
- That in Noah's day there was a flood that covered the entire world due to the wickedness of man's evil imagination. Only eight persons were saved and life started all over again for mankind.
- That from these three sons of Noah; Shem, Ham, and Japheth, came the origins of nations and a chronology of the ages of the earlier patriarchs who lived on this earth.
- That since the fall, the flood, the frustration at Babel, the famine, and the forefathers are mentioned that Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and Judah, were the generators of the Savior who was promised in **Genesis 3:15**, "And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel." To mythicize any of these is to nullify this promise.
- That the history of the men who are specifically highlighted in the book, stand or fall together as the narratives links them into one historical unit. If we remove any of these events or persons, you do not have a complete Mosaic. (Pardon the pun.)

In light of the fact that Adam, Cain, Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Lot, Isaac, Melchizedek, Ishmael, Jacob and the twelve sons of Jacob and some of their wives and children are mentioned and are specifically mentioned in the rest of the Bible, it is groundless to say that any part of the book is not historical, but mythological.

The fall, Cain's murdering of Abel, the destruction of the world by a flood, the sacrifice of Isaac, Abraham leaving Ur, His paying tithes to Melchizedek, the destruction of Sodom, and other such events, removes any doubt if they were historical events to the thinking man.

Jesus and the apostles referred to all of these events. If one leaves out these historical accounts, you have a book with no plot and only a book using lies as illustration in the

other books of the Bible. It's like putting Jack and the beanstalk or Paul Bunyan in an American history or genealogical record.

Genesis shows that man sinned and needed a Savior. Then it displays God's sovereignty in electing certain men as the vehicles to bring grace to fallen man. It sets the stage for God's work in the rest of the Bible by promising the race and nation from which He would come, the land in which it would occur, and the seed through whom all the peoples of the world would be blessed. **Genesis 12:1-3**

Frankly, no serious student of the Word of God can miss the underlying plot for the rest of the scenarios of the redemption of man. To remove these is to spoil the very basic theme of the Gospel. Paradise was lost and God's plan for man to regain it requires that a man believe the entire book of Genesis. Without Genesis there can be no true foundation or theology, there can be no types, there can be no allegories or successive world history. To reject **Genesis 1-50** is to put your soul in peril, because if it is true only in part, then one cannot trust the whole, nor Him who said, "Scripture cannot be broken!" (**John 10:35**)

To reject it is to deny inspiration and revelation from Him who said, "All Scripture is God-breathed." **Acts 1:16** To begin a book that claims to be "THE TRUTH" with lies, myths, and deceptions, is ludicrous. For one to pick and choose what he will believe due to alleged new evidence rather than what is obviously meant to be revealed by the author of the book, does not appear to be an honest reading of the Holy Scriptures.

It does not allow the Creator to tell His story as it happened. One may believe there is a God and deny the Genesis account but he cannot believe that the Lord is the God of the Bible, or that Jesus is the Incarnate Son of God. Jesus fully accepted the Genesis account. If one does not believe Jesus is the Son of God, he is condemned already.

**John 3:16-18**, "16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. 17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. 18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: **but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.**"

Better re-think your modernistic or humanistic position on Genesis!!!

It is not called the "seed plot" of the Bible for no reason. First the seed, then the tree, then the bloom and then the fruit.

The seed better not be imitation or there is not fruit to be enjoyed.

## EL-ROI, THE GOD WHO SEES ME!

### Genesis Chapter 16

How many have ever heard of the God, "El-Roi"?

He is mentioned in the Bible in the Book of Genesis.

You may not have ever heard of Him but you know Him.

You experience Him every single day because He knows you.

It was a woman who saw Him that named Him. She was a foreigner. Let me tell you about her because there's things we can learn from her history in the Bible.

It all starts with a man whose father was an idolater, who worshipped the moon goddess.

This man was called of God away from his father's idolatry. He was of Shem, and was 75 when God called him to bring one of his descendants into the world to bless all nations. His name was "Abram".

His call was **Genesis 12:1-3**

In **Genesis 12:10-20** in not trusting God for his daily bread, he went down to Egypt and Pharaoh wanted his wife Sarai. Disgusted with Abram and Sarai for lying to Him, but in fearing their God, Pharaoh gave him much cattle, sheep, etc. and her a servant girl. (Some Jews say his own daughter because he thought it would be better for her to live with such a woman as Mistress Sarai, than to be mistress of her own house.)

In **Genesis 16:1ff**, Sarah did not have a child for ten years from the promise. She complained and offered the slave girl, "Hagar", to him - vs 2.

Abraham took her up on it. 4 (he was like father Adam in listening to his woman.)

Hagar began to despise Sarah. Sarah began to treat her like a jealous wife would and blamed Abram for her troubles.

Abraham tells her she can do as she wants. (He does not seem to be overly fond of the young woman. No house is big enough for two women to share her man.)

Hagar runs away, which was a dangerous thing for a slave to do – vs 6.

The pre-incarnate Christ goes to meet Hagar, but not Abraham.

He found her at a fountain on her way to Egypt in the wilderness.

**He asks her two important questions that one always ought to ask runaways:**

1. Where are you from - that is, what are you leaving?
2. Where are you going - that is, what am I getting into? Remember the Prodigal son.

She is honest and says, "I am fleeing from my mistress, Sarai".

**He gives her two commands:**

1. Return to her.
  2. Submit to her and be under her hand.
- It is safer than being in the wilderness and being caught as a runaway or starving.

**He gives her two promises:**

1. I am going to give you many children.
2. So many that they cannot be numbered.

**He tells her two facts:**

1. You're pregnant.
2. It is a boy so call his name, "Ishmael" (God hears).

**He tells her two things about the boy:**

1. His nature and disposition A wild ass of a man whose hand will be against every man and every man's hand will be against him. Not a bad one-sentence description of Ishmael's descendants, the Arabs.
2. His dwelling. He will dwell among his brethren.

**Two things she named, or called God:**

1. God is El-Roi... "The God who sees me."
2. The well is "Beer-la-hai-roi". The well of "the living one who sees me."

Since Abraham called him Ishmael, Hagar must have told Abraham upon returning home. She made it work for about 13 years.

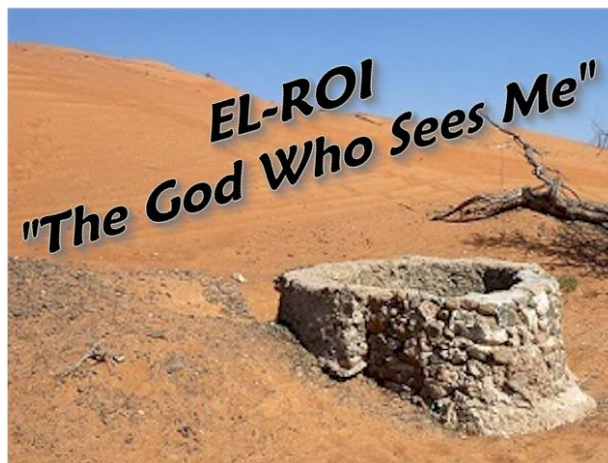
Finally, Sarah conceived. **Genesis 21:3**

There's two sons in the family for about five years.

On Isaac's weaning day, the teenage Ishmael persecuted or mocked Isaac. **Genesis 21:9, Galatians 4:22-31**

Hagar and Ishmael were thrown out of the camp due to Sarah.

Abraham loved the boy very much. (He once had asked if Ishmael could be his seed.)



God appeared to Abraham and comforted him about the boy and Abraham obeyed his wife with God's approval.

Hagar and Ishmael are given bread and a bottle of water and sent into the wilderness. Her son would not be Abraham's heir. **Galatians 4**  
Hagar fears the death of her child and weeps.

God heard her and said, "What's your problem?" – vs 17. Do not fear.... the boy will not die. Remember my promise earlier. (She's as bad as Sarah and Abraham in forgetting promises.)

Arise and give the boy a hand.

Hagar obeys and the boy became a great hunter, or warrior and she got him a wife.

Later, in **Genesis 25:8-9**, the two sons buried their father, Abraham, next to Sarah.

Ishmael had the twelve princes he was promised and he died at age 137 among his brethren, as foretold.

Hagar had more sons called "Hagarites" and one of her descendants' name, Jaziz, ended up over the flocks of King David. **1 Chronicles 27:31**

The apostle Paul uses the family as an allegory for us in the New Testament - **Galatians 4:22-31**, "22 For it is written, that Abraham had two sons, the one (*Ishmael*) by a bondmaid (*Hagar*), the other (*Isaac*) by a freewoman (*Sarah*). 23 But he (*Ishmael*) who was of the bondwoman (*Hagar*) was born after the flesh; but he (*Isaac*) of the freewoman (*Sarah*) was by promise. 24 Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar. 25 For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. 26 But Jerusalem which is above is free, which is the mother of us all. 27 For it is written, Rejoice, *thou* barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, *thou* that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband. 28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise. 29 But as then he that was born after the flesh (*Ishmael*) persecuted him (*Isaac*) that was born after the Spirit, even so *it is* now. 30 Nevertheless what saith the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman (*Hagar*) and her son (*Ishmael*): for the son (*Ishmael*) of the bondwoman (*Hagar*) shall not be heir with the son (*Isaac*) of the freewoman (*Sarah*). 31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman (*Hagar*), but of the free (*Sarah*)."

But here are some practical lessons for us to learn, too:

- a. The foolishness of running ahead of God, like Sarah.
- b. Of forgetting Gods promises.

c. That laws, traditions, and customs of the world are no excuse for ignoring God's foundational desires.

d. That it is not to our benefit to blame God for His tardiness and not giving us what we want nor to try to rush ahead of Him.

e. Do not be proud of what we have that others do not have; like Hagar.

f. Or being jealous when others are given it, like Sarah.

We need to stop and ask, "What am I leaving?" and "What may I be getting into when I run from my problems?"

We need to remember that God is all-knowing, all-seeing, works in providence, and is  
Hagar recognized, though a stranger, His eye was upon her plight, He cared and would take care of her if she was submissive where God put her. Maybe daddy hurt her, maybe Sarah hurt her, maybe Abraham was indifferent, but God was not. He was El-Roi.

**Conclusion:** God is El-Roi, the God who sees me.

But it is a two-side coin.

God saw:

- ↳ The fear and scheming Abram ... "Say you're my sister".
- ↳ The suggestive impatience of Sarah... "Take my servant girl".
- ↳ The pride of Hagar once she was wife of Abraham.
- ↳ The jealousy of Sarah.
- ↳ The foolishness of Abram giving heed to Sarah, his wife. Custom and law.
- ↳ What kind of servant Hagar was.
- ↳ What kind of wife Sarah was as a mistress.
- ↳ What kind of husband Abraham was. (**Malachi 2:14, 1 Peter 3:7** – shows God's discipline for this.
- ↳ How we treat others. **Proverbs 24:17-18**, "17 Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth: 18 Lest the LORD see it, and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him."
- ↳ Hagar's plight, helplessness, tears, and fears but she is found of God, though she sought him not. **Isaiah 65:1**, "I am sought of *them that* asked not *for me*; I am found of *them that* sought me not: I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation *that* was not called by my name."

He is a God who hears.....

He is a God who sees....

He is a God who cares...

And He does require it of us when we do wrong and He is not a respecter of persons.

Call upon him while he is near.



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*“Our Seminary courses are the foundation for the training of our Gospel Preachers. It is through our Gospel Preachers knowing and understanding the Word of God that they are able to Preach and teach the Word of God to convert many who worship idols, turning them from darkness to Jesus to establish the LORD’S Church in many villages of India.*

*Our Seminary courses in the other two areas of our ministry work with 140 of our India Preachers, our 19 orphanage teachers, and new men who desire to preach the Gospel, will be conducted later this summer in the Chittoor District of our Gospel work. Thank you for your continued support for the teaching and training of our India Preachers!*

*We are also thankful for Brother George Faull and Summit Theological Seminary in Peru, Indiana, who provide the course notes that can be translated and copied in India for the training of our India Preachers. We have been told by our India Preachers and by professors in India who translate these courses that there is nothing like this in all of India. We are very thankful to have these courses to teach to our India Preachers. It is through these courses we are able to train and raise up Preachers who know the Word of God, and that are able to establish strong Church congregations. Thank you to Summit Theological Seminary, Brother George Faull, and to all of you who help to provide for the teaching and training of our India Preachers!” – Mike Pemberton*

## Summit’s Second Wind Ladies Jubilee August 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016

### Theme – “Out of Egypt”



**Guest Speaker**  
**Melody Belcher**



**Song Leader**  
**Krista Melton**

**(W/Special Concert Friday Night)**

**Ladies 13 years and Older!**

**See Website for Flyer / Registration Form**

## Our Appreciation

### Summit so Appreciates our Supporters!

This spring we put on a new roof (due to wind damage), repaired the siding, and installed a new furnace and air conditioner in our Executive offices.

We also had to repair the overhangs on Restoration Hall after 21 years.

We have purchased 15 new desks for the second floor dorm rooms and purchased bookcases for the libraries which were given to us by Jack Cottrell and Keith Little. Plus C.R.A. donated the Joe Carson-Smith library.

Due to our wonderful supporters this has all been paid for already!

We are soon ordering 28 dressers and 15 new microwaves to finish off the second floor dorm rooms because our LEAP Programs are really growing.

Not only has giving increased, but several have purchased Annuities from Brother Faull this year allowing over \$10,000.00 to aid us in this work!

### God is a Great Provider!!

*Do you mean I have to tolerate this  
at home AND at Work AND  
in Public Restrooms?*

*There ought to be  
a LAW against this!*

*You call this PROGRESS?*



**Contrary to what so many in our brotherhood think, this is not the only place where Galatians 3:28 does not apply - “There is neither male nor female for you are all one in Christ Jesus”**