**Hagar Bible Verses**

**Genesis 12**

Abram in Egypt

**10**Now there was a famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt to live there for a while because the famine was severe. **11**As he was about to enter Egypt, he said to his wife Sarai, “I know what a beautiful woman you are. **12**When the Egyptians see you, they will say, ‘This is his wife.’ Then they will kill me but will let you live. **13**Say you are my sister, so that I will be treated well for your sake and my life will be spared because of you.”

**14**When Abram came to Egypt, the Egyptians saw that Sarai was a very beautiful woman. **15**And when Pharaoh’s officials saw her, they praised her to Pharaoh, and she was taken into his palace. **16**He treated Abram well for her sake, and Abram acquired sheep and cattle, male and female donkeys, male and female servants, and camels.

**17**But the Lord inflicted serious diseases on Pharaoh and his household because of Abram’s wife Sarai. **18**So Pharaoh summoned Abram. “What have you done to me?” he said. “Why didn’t you tell me she was your wife? **19**Why did you say, ‘She is my sister,’ so that I took her to be my wife? Now then, here is your wife. Take her and go!” **20**Then Pharaoh gave orders about Abram to his men, and they sent him on his way, with his wife and everything he had.

**Genesis 16**

Hagar and Ishmael

**16**Now Sarai, Abram’s wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian slave named Hagar; **2**so she said to Abram, “The Lord has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my slave; perhaps I can build a family through her.”

Abram agreed to what Sarai said. **3**So after Abram had been living in Canaan ten years, Sarai his wife took her Egyptian slave Hagar and gave her to her husband to be his wife. **4**He slept with Hagar, and she conceived.

When she knew she was pregnant, she began to despise her mistress. **5**Then Sarai said to Abram, “You are responsible for the wrong I am suffering. I put my slave in your arms, and now that she knows she is pregnant, she despises me. May the Lord judge between you and me.”

**6**“Your slave is in your hands,” Abram said. “Do with her whatever you think best.” Then Sarai mistreated Hagar; so she fled from her.

**7**The angel of the Lord found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. **8**And 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.

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

**11**The angel of the Lord also said to her:

“You are now pregnant
    and you will give birth to a son.
You shall name him Ishmael,[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+12%2C+16%2C+21%2C+20&version=NIV" \l "fen-NIV-393a)]
    for the Lord has heard of your misery.
**12**He will be a wild donkey of a man;
    his hand will be against everyone
    and everyone’s hand against him,
and he will live in hostility
    toward[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+12%2C+16%2C+21%2C+20&version=NIV#fen-NIV-394b)] all his brothers.”

**13**She gave this name to the Lord who spoke to her: “You are the God who sees me,” for she said, “I have now seen[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+12%2C+16%2C+21%2C+20&version=NIV" \l "fen-NIV-395c)] the One who sees me.” **14**That is why the well was called Beer Lahai Roi[[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+12%2C+16%2C+21%2C+20&version=NIV" \l "fen-NIV-396d)]; it is still there, between Kadesh and Bered.

**15**So Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram gave the name Ishmael to the son she had borne. **16**Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore him Ishmael.

**Genesis 21**

### The Birth of Isaac

**21**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[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+12%2C+16%2C+21%2C+20&version=NIV" \l "fen-NIV-517a)] 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.

**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.”

### Hagar and Ishmael Sent Away

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

**11**The matter distressed Abraham greatly because it concerned his son. **12**But God said to him, “Do not be so distressed about the boy and your slave woman. Listen to whatever Sarah tells you, because it is through Isaac that your offspring[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+12%2C+16%2C+21%2C+20&version=NIV" \l "fen-NIV-526b)]will be reckoned. **13**I will make the son of the slave into a nation also, because he is your offspring.”

**14**Early the next morning Abraham took some food and a skin of water and gave them to Hagar. He set them on her shoulders and then sent her off with the boy. She went on her way and wandered in the Desert of Beersheba.

**15**When the water in the skin was gone, she put the boy under one of the bushes.**16**Then she went off and sat down about a bowshot away, for she thought, “I cannot watch the boy die.” And as she sat there, she[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=genesis+12%2C+16%2C+21%2C+20&version=NIV#fen-NIV-530c)] began to sob.

**17**God heard the boy crying, and the angel of God called to Hagar from heavenand said to her, “What is the matter, Hagar? Do not be afraid; God has heard the boy crying as he lies there. **18**Lift the boy up and take him by the hand, for I will make him into a great nation.”

**19**Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. So she went and filled the skin with water and gave the boy a drink.

**20**God was with the boy as he grew up. He lived in the desert and became an archer. **21**While he was living in the Desert of Paran, his mother got a wife for him from Egypt.