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You see Him, but don't forget about me!

Scripture: Genesis 12:1-3; 15:1-4; 16:1-4, 6, 9-13; 17:20

Even though the Scripture tells us in John 1:18, "**No man hath seen God at any time**, the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him."

In the Book of Genesis, we read about a story of Abram, Sarai, and Hagar. God promised Abram that he was going to make him a great nation, and make thy name great, and thou shalt be a blessing. However, Abram and Sarai were childless. Sarai could not wait until God to fulfill His promise so after ten years in the land of Canaan, she gave Abram permission to marry her Egyptian maid Hagar.

When Hagar got pregnant, Sarai despised her and dealt with her harshly, so Hagar ran from Sarai. "*The angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her hands*" (Genesis 16:9). She was told by the angel of the LORD, that God "*will multiply the seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude*" (Genesis 16:10), because He heard her affliction. Her son Ishmael will be blessed, fruitful, twelve princes shall he beget, and make him a great nation (Genesis 17:20).

The most vulnerable, invisible moments in our lives can be the times when we feel most connected with God. Whether during a crisis or simply feeling down about life, there is always hope in "**El Roi!**" <u>The God</u> who sees me!

We can see God through the Word of God, dreams, and visions, miracles at work in a believer, through healing, His mercies, His love, etc. <u>It is through faith we see God</u> – "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Romans 10:17).

<u>Dreams and visions</u> – "And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions" (Joel 2:28).

<u>At work in a believer, through healing</u> – "And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover" (Mark 16:17-18).

<u>His mercies</u> – "It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness" (Lamentations 3:22-23).

<u>His Love</u> – *"lovingkindness have I drawn thee"* (Jeremiah 31:3).

John 3:16 - 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.

We that God has given us an assignment to proclaim the Gospel of Christ, by sharing our testimony, preaching the Word of God, and praying, we are remembering the people of God. <u>Hebrews 13:5 tells us</u>, *"I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."*