

Complete Guidance

Shalom,

The Torah portion for this week, is **Genesis 23:1—25:18**, and is called **Chayei Sarah, or Sarah's Lifetime**. God's provision was evident in Abraham's life, for, we are told that the LORD has blessed him in all things. The following verses show that Abraham knew that all that God had done for him was also promised to Isaac, his seed. The covenant that God had made was with Abraham **and his seed after him**. He spoke words of faith and called what he desired, that is, he spoke to his servant, Eliezer that God would provide a wife for Isaac.

“By now Avraham was old, advanced in years; and ADONAI had blessed Avraham in everything. Avraham said to the servant who had served him the longest, who was in charge of all he owned, ‘Put your hand under my thigh; because I want you to swear by ADONAI, God of heaven and God of the earth, that you will not choose a wife for my son from among the women of the Kena'ani, among whom I am living; but that you will go to my homeland, to my kinsmen, to choose a wife for my son Yitz'chak’” (Genesis 24:1-4 CJB).

“ADONAI, the God of heaven—Who took me away from my father's house and away from the land I was born in, Who spoke to me and swore to me, ‘I will give this land to your descendants’—He will send His angel ahead of you; and you are to bring a wife for my son from there’” (Genesis 24:7 CJB).

We can see God's hand in this, and Eliezer, the servant of Abraham, was obedient to put his trust in the LORD, and was supernaturally led to the precise place and the very wife God had chosen for Isaac.

“Then he said, ‘Blessed be ADONAI, God of my master Avraham, Who has not abandoned His faithful love for my master; because ADONAI has guided me to the house of my master's kinsmen’” (Genesis 24:27 CJB).

In our culture, people have forgotten that they can trust God to direct them to a husband or wife instead of a pagan “hit or miss” selection process. The blessing of God operates in every area of our existence. You see, **the provision of God that brings eternal life to those who believe will bring direction and guidance to every detail in their lives**. Within the covenant that is ours, in the Messiah, **God has provided all things that pertain to life and godliness** (2 Peter 1:3), and just as Abraham believed God to provide him a son, he also believed God to provide a ram for the sacrifice. He believed God would fulfill His blessing upon him, and that made him very rich, but he also trusted the LORD to extend every earthly blessing upon Isaac and his children after him. For Isaac to carry on the ancestry of the Messiah, God had chosen a wife for him who was just right for him. **I believe He has a perfect mate for each of His children.**

Notice that Isaac did not protest as some might have thought that he would have done. The relationship between Abraham and Isaac must have been remarkably close

considering the account given of the offering on Mount Moriah. It appears that Isaac had such trust in his father that he willingly submitted to his instructions. It is very important to recognize that, according to the Scriptures, Abraham was a teacher and leader in his household, and Isaac had been taught to honor God and his parents.

“ADONAI said, ‘Should I hide from Avraham what I am about to do, inasmuch as Avraham is sure to become a great and strong nation, and all the nations of the earth will be blessed by him? For I have made Myself known to him, so that he will give orders to his children and to his household after him to keep the way of ADONAI and to do what is right and just, so that ADONAI may bring about for Avraham what He has promised him’” (Genesis 18:17-19 CJB).

**Abraham taught his children and household to keep the way of ADONAI.** Abraham taught the instructions of God to his children, his children’s children, and those of his own household congregation. As a result, we find that not only Isaac was submitted to the LORD, but also Sarah, Eliezer, and all who lived in his settlement.

Abraham not only taught with his words; He taught by walking out the ways of the LORD for all to see. He didn’t demand things from others without walking in them first. **Too many young people today have never seen faithfulness in practice,** and no matter how much they hear about it, they do not see, step-by-step, how to walk in it. **Let us all choose to teach trust and show faithfulness in all our ways.**

“So then, those who rely on trusting and being faithful are blessed along with Avraham, who trusted and was faithful” (Galatians 3:9 CJB).

**I’m convinced that Isaac had seen his father trusting God and knew that his trust had caused him to succeed in all that he did, so it is no surprise that he was completely willing to trust, in agreement, with his father for the wife that only God could provide.**

We can be assured that God will work out every detail of our lives for good and, as we trust Yeshua as our LORD, He has promised that every need we will ever have, every spiritual and every earthly requirement, will be provided for us according to His riches in glory, by Christ Jesus. We only need to do our part and put our faith in all His promises. **He will see to all our needs**—spiritual, mental, emotional, physical, relational, and financial—through Jesus Who died for our sins and has imparted **abundant life**, both in Heaven and in this present time. **Say this aloud and believe in your heart, “God sees to it. He provides!”**

“The Lord will perfect that which concerns me; Your mercy, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the works of Your hands” (Psalms 138:8 NKJV).

Submitted to Him,  
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