

## Study Guide

**Pray:** Pray that God will show you something new in His holy word and that you will be fully present and open as you read and consider these questions.

**Read:** Begin by reading Genesis 24 straight through, as you would a book.

### Questions:

1. God is the main actor & influencer in this story. How do Abraham, Abraham's servant, Laban, & Buethel regard the role of God in this story?

**Abraham (see vs. 3 & 7)**

**Abraham's servant Laban (see vs. 9, 12, 27, 35, 40, 42, 44, 48 & 56)**

**Laban and Buethel (see vs. 31, 50, & 51)**

2. In verse 12 Abraham's servant asks for God to identify the woman He had appointed to be Isaac's wife. This was not a prayer for himself but was toward the promise of God for His provision of his master's descendants.

How can we know that God might grant a specific thing we ask of Him in prayer? See Matthew 6:8

When might God not grant a specific thing we ask for? Clue: We can't expect that God will allow us something that's contrary to His Word.

4. Rebekah was very hospitable and a hard worker. She not only offered the servant a drink when asked, but then offered to water his ten camels.

Rebekah's remarkable offer of hospitality was unusually gracious. It demonstrated to Abraham's servant that she was the one appointed by God to be Isaac's bride (v. 14).

What ways can you think of to offer hospitality to strangers that will glorify God?

6. What are some of the characteristics of Abraham's servant from Genesis chapter 24?

7. Sarah had Isaac when she was 90 and she died at the age of 127. So now Abraham seeks a suitable bride for his only son when Isaac was 37 years old.

Undoubtedly, Abraham wished to have Isaac live under and by the promises and provision of God.

Reports show there's been a steady decline over the past several generations in the beliefs that:

- Jesus was an actual person who actually lived
- Jesus was sinless
- Jesus was God

What can we do to help ensure (*remembering it does not guarantee*) godly descendants?

**Write and reflect on what the Lord requires – Micah 6:8**