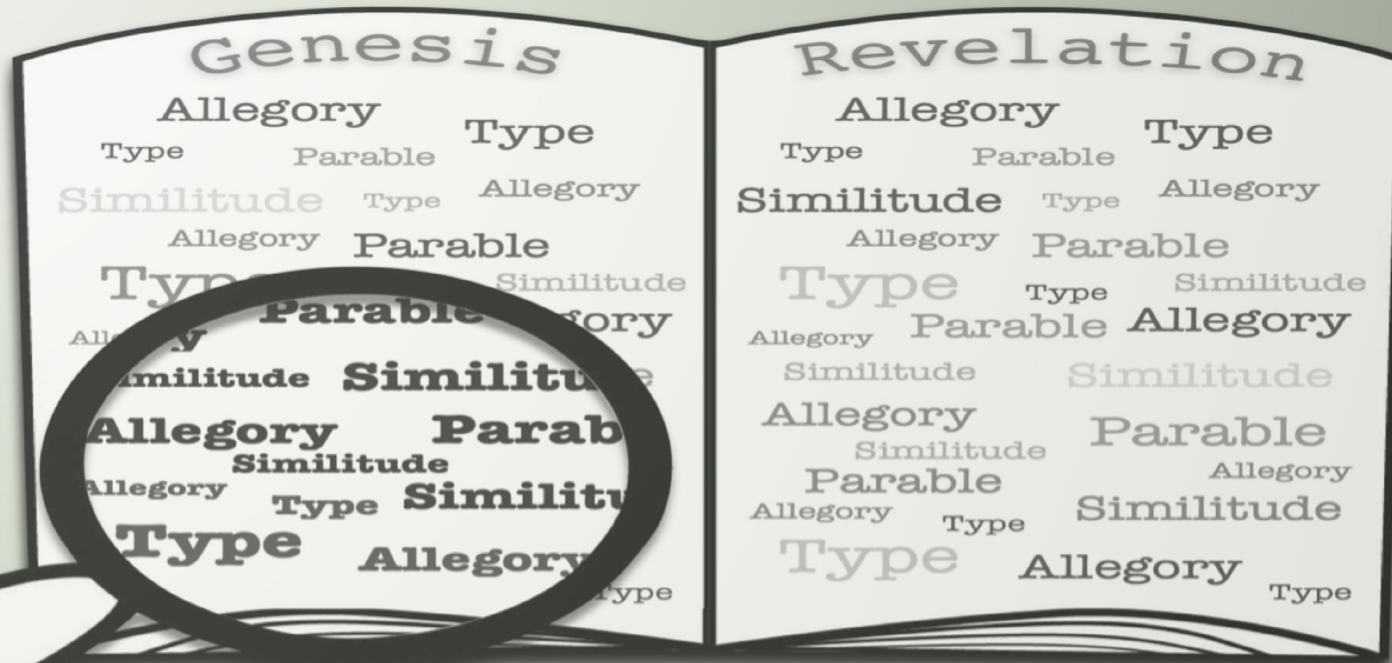


Reasoning out of the Scriptures

by Allegory and Type



Abraham Allegory

class 1 - the seed of Abraham

Mar 4:1-2 “He began again to teach by the sea side: and there was gathered unto him a great multitude, so that he entered into a ship, and sat in the sea; and the whole multitude was by the sea on the land. And HE TAUGHT THEM MANY THINGS BY PARABLES, *and said unto them in his doctrine...*”

The Divine Wisdom of Allegorical Teaching—

- ❑ “To allegorize is to represent truth by comparison. For certain features of the kingdom of God to be illustrated parabolically, is to speak, or act, allegorically; and is a mode of instruction more calculated to keep up the attention, and to impress the mind permanently, than a set discourse, or formal disquisition. The scriptures are constructed after this ingenious plan, by which they are made so much more interesting, and capable of containing so much more matter, than any other book on the same subject, and of the same size. They are a study of themselves; and no ‘rules of interpretation,’ or of ‘logic,’ are of any value to the understanding of the things which they reveal” *Elpis Israel*

Gal 4:21-31 “Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law? FOR IT IS WRITTEN, THAT ABRAHAM HAD TWO SONS, THE ONE BY A BONDMAID, THE OTHER BY A FREEWOMAN. *But he who was of the bondwoman was born after the flesh; but he of the freewoman was by promise.* **Which things are an allegory:** FOR THESE ARE THE TWO COVENANTS; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Hagar. For this HAGAR is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children. BUT JERUSALEM WHICH IS ABOVE IS FREE, WHICH IS THE MOTHER OF US ALL. 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.* NOW WE, BRETHREN, AS ISAAC WAS, ARE THE CHILDREN OF PROMISE. *But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now.* Nevertheless what saith the scripture? CAST OUT THE BONDWOMAN AND HER SON: FOR THE SON OF THE BONDWOMAN SHALL NOT BE HEIR WITH THE SON OF THE FREEWOMAN. **So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free”**

□ “This fragment of Abraham’s history has a signification beyond what appears on the face of it. The apostle informs that the incidents are ALLEGORICAL. That is, *the two women* and their characteristics, represent *two covenants*; and *the two sons* of Abraham by them *two seeds*, or classes of people” —*Elpis Israel, pg 251*

Hagar—Law of Bondage given to Israel at Sinai

Ishmael—Seed of Abraham after flesh, under the Law

Sarah—Abrahamic Covenant given before the Law

Isaac—Seed of Abraham after spirit, seed by Promise

□ “Jerusalem is the subject of these covenants; but in different periods of her history...the Hebrew commonwealth under its Sinaitic constitution, was represented by Hagar the bondswoman; because the covenant from Sinai ‘gendered to bondage’...(But) God did not intend the Hebrew commonwealth to exist perpetually under the Sinaitic constitution. Israel was not always to be in bondage to the Law of Moses. A great revolution was predetermined of God, which should result in the abolition of the Arabian covenant (Sinai), and the dispersion of Israel among the nations. This is allegorically styled ‘*casting out the bondswoman with her son*’.” —*Elpis Israel, pg 252*

The Two Aspects of the Seed: The Covenant With Abraham—

Gen 12:1-3 “Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will show thee: **(1)** *And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: (2) and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed*”

- **I will make of thee a great nation**: This refers to the establishment of the natural seed of Abraham—the Jews—as a great nation.
- **In thee shall all families of the earth be blessed**: This refers to the development of the Abrahamic seed in Christ.

○ **“THE ALLEGORY OF ABRAHAM’S LIFE”** (pg. 258) *HPM, Expositor*

Gen 21—Ishmael: The Natural Seed Cast Out

Gen 22—Isaac: The Sacrifice of the true Seed-Son

Gen 23—Death of Sarah: Jerusalem in AD 70

Gen 24—Calling Isaac’s Bride: Gospel to the Ecclesia

Gen 25—Sons of Concubines: Truth Expands to Nations

Gen 21:1-2 “And the LORD visited Sarah *as HE had said*, and the LORD did unto Sarah *as HE had spoken*. For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, *AT THE SET TIME of which GOD had spoken to him*** ***Messiah brought into the World**”**

Spoken—children of Abraham—and God—are begotten by no other means. Sonship is never a matter of fleshly rite.

1Pet 1:23 “Born again... *by the word of God*” (Jam 1:18)

This principle is emphatic in its primary and foremost application of the Lord Jesus Christ: ‘the’ Son of God. He was “the Word made flesh,” and the “manna” of the Word from above (John 1:14; John 6).

Rom 9:6-9 “Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they *are* not all Israel, which are of Israel: Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, *are they* all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called. That is, *They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.* FOR THIS IS THE WORD OF PROMISE, AT THIS TIME WILL I COME, AND SARA SHALL HAVE A SON” (quoted Gen 21:2)

Gen 21:3-4 “And Abraham called the name of his son that was born unto him, whom Sarah bare to him, Isaac. And Abraham *circumcised his son Isaac* being *EIGHT DAYS OLD, as God had commanded him”

***8th day is also 1st day—newness of life**

Rom 4:11-13 “(Abram) received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which HE HAD YET BEING UNCIRCUMCISED: that *he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised*; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: AND THE FATHER OF CIRCUMCISION TO THEM WHO ARE NOT OF THE CIRCUMCISION ONLY, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, WHICH HE HAD BEING YET UNCIRCUMCISED. *For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, WAS NOT to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith*”

□ **“(Circumcision) *Far from establishing any hereditary right it did the very opposite: it stressed that their fleshly descent in no way qualified them for enjoyment of Covenant privileges, and was a ground not for pride, but rather for humility*” —Law and Grace**

Rom 2:28-29 “He is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; *neither is that circumcision*, which is outward in the flesh: But he *is* a Jew, which is one inwardly; and *circumcision is that* of the heart, in the spirit, *and* not in the letter...”

❑ **“No uncircumcised person was permitted to be a member of Abraham’s family...for *none but circumcised persons can inherit the promises*. This may startle; but it is strictly true. It will, however, be remembered that true circumcision is of the heart” — *Elpis Israel, pg. 250***

Phi 3:3 “For we are the *circumcision*, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh”

❑ **“Circumcision of the flesh is but an outward sign of Abraham’s circumcision of heart; and everyone who would inherit with faithful Abraham must be circumcised of heart likewise...*in putting on Christ*, he is ‘circumcised with the circumcision made without hands by the circumcision of Christ’ (Col. 2:11-12)—*Elpis Israel, pg. 250***

The prophets declared true circumcision is of the heart (Jer 4:4).

Gen 21:5-7 “And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was BORN unto him. And Sarah said, God hath made me to laugh, so *that* all that hear will laugh with me. And she said, Who would have said unto Abraham, that Sarah should have given children suck? **FOR I HAVE BORN HIM A SON IN HIS OLD AGE**”

**Born—barren wombs, old age, circumcision, ultimately a virgin:
Yahweh is teaching us His children are never produced by the flesh.**

Rom 4:16-20 “...Abraham; who is the father of us all, (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who *quickeneth the dead*, and calleth those things which be not as though they were, Who against hope believed in hope, *that he might become the father of many nations*, ACCORDING TO THAT WHICH WAS SPOKEN, So shall thy seed be. And being not weak in faith, he considered not *his own body now dead*, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet *the deadness of Sara's womb*: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God” **(birth from death—Eph 2/Rom 6)**

Old Age—it was late in Israel's history when Messiah appeared.

Gen 21:8 “And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the *same day* that Isaac was weaned”

The Change of Diet—**Heb 5:12-14** “For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which *be the first principles of the oracles of God*; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. For every one that useth milk is *unskilful in the word of righteousness*: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age...”

□ “‘The first principles’—These are the first principles as related to the Mosaic Law. The Greek word *stoicheion* ...The term is only used 7 times in the New Testament, in which it is applied to the principles of the Mosaic system...‘Oracles of God’—These were those lively oracles which had been committed to Israel’s trust (Rom. 3:2; Acts 7:38)—*Hebrews, J. Martin, pg. 40*

A Great Feast—the Passover was styled a “feast” (Mat 26:2); and this reps. the fellowship of those in Christ “keeping the feast” around the table of remembrance (1Cor 5:8 cf. Jude 1:12).

The Jews under the “milk” mocked the “meat” doctrine of Christ—

Gen 21:9-10 “And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham, mocking. Wherefore she said unto Abraham, **Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be HEIR with my son, even with Isaac**”

Heirship—this wasn't “through the Law” (Rom 8:17; Gal 3:29; Heb 1:14)

Rom 4:14 “For if they which are of the law *be heirs*, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect”

Mat 8:8-13 “The centurion answered... **SPEAK THE WORD ONLY**, and my servant shall be healed.... When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, *Verily I say unto you, *I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel.* And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. *But the children of the kingdom shall be CAST OUT into outer darkness*” ***“he loveth our nation” Luk 7:5**

Luk 13:28-30 “Ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, *in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves THRUST OUT.* And, behold, *there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last*”

THE DIVINE PATTERN—1Cor 15:46 First the natural then the spiritual

- Ishmael before Isaac. Esau before Jacob. Saul before David. Adam before Jesus. Pharez before Zarah—reps a significant type.

Gen 38:27-30 At the time of (Tamar's) travail "twins were in her womb. And it came to pass, when she travailed, that *the one* put out *his* hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, SAYING, THIS CAME OUT FIRST. *And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his brother came out:* and she said, How hast thou broken forth? *this BREACH* be upon thee: therefore his name was called Pharez. And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called Zarah" **Zarah means "sunrise"**

- "A remarkable type is presented in the birth of Tamar's twin sons, pointing forward to the two covenants of God: the Abrahamic covenant of faith; and the Mosaic covenant of law. The 'hand' of the one was revealed before the other was brought to the birth, though the fulness of the former was not revealed until afterwards. Paul, in Galatians 3:17 shows that whilst the covenant of faith made its appearance before the law, its fulness was not revealed until later (Gal 3:23-25)." *Expositor*

□ “But, while Hagar represents Jerusalem under the law; and Sarah Jerusalem under the new constitution of the Hebrew commonwealth; *Ishmael represents Israel, glorying in their fleshly descent from Abraham*, boasting in the law; and Isaac, those of Israel and the Gentiles, who regard the flesh as profiting nothing, and who are the sons of Abraham by believing the promises made to him and his seed. Hence, Ishmael and Isaac represent two seeds or classes of mankind, who shall not be heirs together of the promise... The kingdom to be established is a righteous dominion, and requires righteous men for its administration... It is impossible, therefore, that the Ishmaelite-seed can be heirs of the promise”—*Elpis Israel, pg. 253*

First parable of the Lord relates to this doctrine:

Mat 5:13 “*Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be CAST OUT, AND TO BE TRODDEN UNDER FOOT OF MEN*”

- The “salt of the covenant” was to added in sacrificial offerings (Lev 2:13), as it reps. the Kingdom of God promised to David (2Chr 13:5).

Children of the Flesh persecute the Children of Promise—

Phi 3:4-6 “Though I might also have confidence *in the flesh*. If any other man thinketh that he hath whereof he might *trust in the flesh*, I more: Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law, a Pharisee; *Concerning zeal, persecuting the ecclesia*” (Act 13:45-58)

☐ “Christ warned that the Kingdom of God would be taken from the natural Jews, and given to a people revealing the fruits thereof (Mat 21:43), which Peter identifies as the Ecclesia (1Pet 2:9). *The old covenant was brought to an end by the sacrifice of Christ*, and the people who clung to it were expelled from the land. Abraham was shown this in type” —*Expositor, pg. 249*

1The 2:14-16 “For ye also have suffered like things of your own countrymen, even as they *have* of the Jews: Who both killed the Lord Jesus, and their own prophets, and have persecuted us; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men: *Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins alway: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost*”

Gen 21:12 “And God said unto Abraham... in all that Sarah hath SAID unto thee, hearken unto her VOICE; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called” *the prevailing word of the Abrahamic covenant*

Gal 3:16 “Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ”

□ **“‘In Isaac shall thy seed be called’—that is, Christ shall descend from him, and all *who believe the promises*, and put on Christ, shall be considered as ‘*in Isaac*’: and being thus ‘the children of the promise,’ shall be ‘counted for *the seed*,’ who shall inherit the land and the world forever. ‘*Thy seed*’ then, is a phrase that must be understood in a two-fold sense—first, as referring to Christ; and secondly, to all who are constitutionally *in him*”—*Elpis Israel***

Gal 3:26-29 “For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is NEITHER JEW NOR GREEK, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise”

Hagar the Egyptian Bondswoman—

- Literally, the children of Israel were “servants” under “bondage” of the Serpent-Pharaoh (Exo 1-2), or servants of sin (Rom 6).
- The scriptural term “bondage” is used for the Law of Moses (Rom 8:15-21; Gal 2:4; 5:1), which manifested sin, and therefore, death (Rom 3:19-20; 7:7-9; 1Cor 15:56).
- It is this Mosaic covenant “from Sinai which gendereth bondage,” says the apostle (Gal 4:21-31).
- The “bondage” which was “under the Law” (Gal 4:1-5), could not redeem, and therefore, could not “give life” nor inheritance (Gal 3:19-21).

Rom 4:13-15 “For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, THROUGH THE LAW, but through the righteousness of faith. *For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect:* Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression”

- The Mosaic couldn't “disannul” the Abrahamic (Gal 3:16-18)

Gen 21:13 “And also of the son of the bondwoman will I MAKE A NATION, because he is thy seed”

Because the Abrahamic covenant is through Christ—‘the seed’—it does not and never has indicated that the natural children are forever “cast off.” In the apostolic allegory of Gal 4, there are “two” sons. Regarding Ishmael—*El will hear*—the son of bondage, there is a national promise

□ **“The children of the flesh are not the children of God, neither are they all Israel, who are of Israel” (Rom. 9:8). This is true; *but it does not therefore follow that there is nothing more to be done with ‘the children of the flesh’ than to burn them up. To carry out the allegory, God has yet to make of the Ishmael-seed a great nation; for though Ishmael was an outcast and a wanderer in the wilderness, God promised that he should be great, and dwell in the presence...The Ishmael-children were cast out of the government by the Romans; but the children in Isaac will ‘shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father,’ when the kingdom is restored again to Israel” —Elpis Israel, pg. 254.***

Gen 21:14-15 “And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave it unto Hagar, putting it on her SHOULDER, and the child, and sent her away: and she departed, and WANDERED IN THE WILDERNESS OF BEERSHEBA. And the water was spent in the bottle, and she cast the child under one of the shrubs”

Bread, water—both symbolic of Christ (Joh 6:32-35; 4:13-14); as the shadows and types of the Law rep. the coming Redeemer (Col 2:16-17).

Shoulder—*reps. the burden of the Law (Act 15:10-11)*

- **Water in Bottle Spent—the Law was a temporary “schoolmaster” until the appearing of Christ (Gal 3:24-25). It was “taken out,” “done away” and “fulfilled” (Col 2:14; 2Cor 3:7; Mat 5:17). Christ was the “end of the Law for righteousness” (Rom 10:4).**

Gal 3:18-19 “For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise. Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made...”

Wander in the wilderness—phrase used for Israel under the Law; and could not bring inheritance (Num 14:33). Lacked water (Exo 15:22; 17)

Gen 21:16 “And (Hagar) went, and sat her down over against *him* a good way off, as it were a bowshot: for she said, *Let me not see *the death of the child.* And she sat over against *him*, and lift up her voice, and wept” ***required redemption**

Death of the child—two aspects: (1) “the Law of sin and death” could not produce life (Rom 8:2); (2) prophetically, as a “wanderer” among the nations (v.15) Abraham’s fleshly seed will be at the point of national death in the “time of Jacob’s trouble” (Jer 30:7).

Zec 12:9-10 “And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem. And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, *and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn*”

- ***There is no ability for the Law to save. The apostle Paul taught this over and over again (2Cor 3:6-7; Rom 7:10).***

Gen 21:17 “And God heard the voice of the lad; and THE ANGEL of God called to Hagar out of heaven, and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God hath heard the voice of the lad where he is”

The Angel—while in dispersion and wandering among the nations (Eze 34:6), Yahweh will not permit the extinction of the nation for His covenant with Abraham’s sake (Lev 26:44; 2Kin 13:22-23; Jer 33:25-26)

- **The angels are greatly involved in the manipulation of political affairs of the nations (Dan 4:13, 23; Heb 2:5; Rev 16:1-4; 15:1; Isa 37:36); which includes oversight of Abraham’s seed (Eze 37:11)**

Jer 30:10-11 “Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the LORD; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid. FOR I AM WITH THEE, SAITH THE LORD, TO SAVE THEE: THOUGH I MAKE A FULL END OF ALL NATIONS WHITHER I HAVE SCATTERED THEE, YET WILL I NOT MAKE A FULL END OF THEE: but I will correct thee in measure, and will not leave thee altogether unpunished”

Gen 21:18 “Arise, lift up the lad, and hold him in thine hand; for I will make him a great nation”

This is a direct quote from the Abrahamic Covenant Gen 12:1-3.

Gen 12:1-2 “Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father’s house, unto a land that I will shew thee: And I WILL MAKE OF THEE A GREAT NATION, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing”

❑ **“In the regeneration when the Son of Man shall sit on the throne of his glory’ (Mat. 19:28), *the children in Isaac* will reign as ‘sons,’ while *the children of the flesh* will be the king’s subjects, or ‘servants’... (Eze. 46:16-17) If the natural Israel are not restored to Canaan, the spiritual Israel...would inherit a kingdom without subjects to serve them” —*Elpis Israel, pg. 254-255***

❑ **“In the terms of the allegory however, the promise relates to Israel according to the flesh. Israel is to become great in the Kingdom of God (Mic. 4:8; Eze. 37:21-22; Eze. 48)” —*Expositor, pg. 253.***

Gen 21:19 “And God opened her eyes, and SHE SAW A WELL of water; and she went, and filled the bottle with water, and gave the lad drink” ***disciples’ “eyes were opened” understanding Law (Luk 24:27-47)**

Blindness—spiritual state of Jews (Joh 9:39-40; Act 9:9; 2Kin 25:7)

Rom 11:7-8 “What then? *Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were BLINDED (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see...)* unto this day”

2Cor 3:14-15 “But *their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which vail is done away in Christ*”

Rom 11:25-27 “*Blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. And so all Israel shall be saved...*”

Well—salvation and life (Pro 16:22; 18:4; Isa 12:3; Exo. 15:27; Joh 4:6-17; Gen 26:15-18; SoS 4:15)

Filled the bottle with water—Israel will come to recognize Messiah as the “seed” fulfilling the Abrahamic covenant was foreshadowed in the Law (Rom 2:20; 3:20-21) as Christ told the Jews (John 5:39).

Gen 21:20-21 “And God was with ***THE LAD**; and he **GREW**, and dwelt in the wilderness, and **BECAME AN ARCHER**. And he dwelt in the wilderness of Paran: and his mother took him a wife out of the land of Egypt” ****Israel under the Law grows in understanding (Gal 4)***

Archer—Israel will arise from near death to a weapon of Yahweh:

Zec 9:13 “When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man”

Rom 11:11-15 “Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: *but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles...* Now if the fall of them *be* the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; **HOW MUCH MORE THEIR FULNESS?** For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles... For if *the casting away of them be* the reconciling of the world, what *shall* the receiving of them *be*, but life from the dead?”

Wife of Egypt—in the Age to Come, Israel’s restoration will enlighten the Gentiles (Zec 8:13; Zep 3:20; Isa 2:3; Eze 28:25; 37:21-28).

This took place in “Beersheba” (Gen 21:15), which means “*well of the oath.*” Jesus came to perform “the oath which God swore to our father Abraham”—Luk 1:73

- In fact, this was the second time Hagar was “cast out.” The first time is recorded in GEN 16:1-15 and answers to the dispersion by Babylon (Isa 39:3-7).

Concerning the “seed” of Abraham, note the words of Christ—

John 8:31-48 “Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, *then* are ye my disciples indeed; And *ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.* They answered him, WE BE ABRAHAM'S SEED, AND WERE NEVER IN BONDAGE TO ANY MAN: HOW SAYEST THOU, YE SHALL BE MADE FREE? Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. AND THE SERVANT ABIDETH NOT IN THE HOUSE FOR EVER: *but the Son abideth ever...* I know that ye are *Abraham's seed*; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you... Jesus saith unto them, If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham... *Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do*”

Mat 3:9 “Think not to say within yourselves, *We have Abraham to our father*: for I say unto you, that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham”

Chronology of Abraham and Mosaic Covenants—

- **Abrahamic covenant, promised a seed—Gen 12:1-2**
- **Sarah is barren, gives Hagar to Abraham—Gen 16:1-2 (17:15)**
- **Hagar bare seed of Bondage, Ishmael—Gen 16:15**
- **Sarah bare seed of Promise, Isaac—Gen 21:1-3**

Gal 3:15-18 “Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ. *And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, CANNOT DISANNUL*, that it should make the promise of none effect. For if the inheritance *be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise*”

Gal 3:23 “But BEFORE FAITH CAME, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith WHICH SHOULD AFTERWARDS BE REVEALED”