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Genesis 21:10

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"Therefore David inquired again of the Lord." 2 Samuel 5:23

How easy it is for the child of God to presume that yesterday's leading or yesterday's word is also for today!

At Sarah's word, Abraham was plunged into a family feud and emotional conflict that continues even to this hour! Yes, it was at Sarah's word and with her encouragement Abraham has a child by Sarah's handmaiden, Hagar! Now Sarah has said, "Cast out this bond women and her son, for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, Isaac." (Genesis 21:10).

Abraham, of course, is deeply grieved because of his love for his son Ishmael. Can his wife, whose words once began this conflict, now be the words of the Lord? Indeed they can be for the Lord speaks to Abraham personally and says, "in all that Sarah has said to you, pay attention to her." And then the Lord reaffirms the word of His covenant with Abraham, "for in Isaac shall your seed be called." (Verse 12)

Always be careful saint of God, that when you are confronted with a new set of circumstances that you ask the Lord for new directions! As David did, we too, need to "inquire again of the Lord." Never fall into the trap of relying upon yesterday's directions for today's challenges! Fresh manna, fresh food, a fresh word is what is needed for today!

Lord, thank You for yesterday's word. But, I have to inquire for Your thoughts for today... In Jesus' Name!

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