God of Wonders: JOURNAL ENTRY # 33

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- A) He loves the desert.
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How do you respond when God doesn't seem to be keeping His promises?

Can you think of a situation that you are tempted to run away from? How could you trust God to solve that problem?

When has God met you in a very dry and lonely time in your life?

When have you encountered 'the God who sees'?

THE HUMAN FACTOR

Read Psalm 121. Which verses strengthen your faith in God's faithfulness?

How does it comfort you to think that God stays up all night to watch over you?

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Take some time to read the story of Hagar and Ishmael in Genesis 16:1-16 and 21:9-21.

HAT DOES IT SAY?

God had promised Abram and Sarai a son, but 10 years have passed. What plan did Abram and Sarai devise, to make His promise a reality?

So Abram followed Sarai's instructions and Hagar became pregnant.

What happened then that changed everything, causing their plan to backfire?

On 2 different occasions, Hagar found herself alone in the desert with her son. Who found her, and how did he take care of her in each situation?

HAT DOES IT MEAN?

What caused Abram and Sarai to devise this plan?

- A) They lost faith in God.
- B) They grew tired of waiting.
- C) They liked Hagar.

What caused Hagar to run away (Genesis 16)?

- A) She was looking for adventure.
- B) She was angry with Abram.
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God finally sent the promised son. After all that God had done for Abram, why was he worried about Hagar and Ishmael?

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