**Read Genesis 21:1-34**

1. How did Sunday's sermon impact you or what did you learn in Word Like Fire?

2. Have you ever felt like Abraham and Sarah did when they finally had Isaac? Can you describe what it is like when God proves true to His promises after a long time of waiting?

3. Challenge. Can you find any other Biblical information about Ishmael's treatment of Isaac? Based on your findings, was Sarah right to call for the exile of Hagar and Ishmael?

4. Although Hagar and Ishmael are sent away with hopelessly little, what do you learn about God's character and power to provide for those in great need from this part of the story?

5. Why did Abimelech want to make a covenant with Abraham and what initial obstacle stood in the way? What obstacles are standing in between you and a friend coming to agreement?

Youth Question. Describe a time that you have witnessed others being mocked? How did that make you feel? What bible verses can you find that show how God feels about us mocking others?

**Prayer Focus:** Let's pray that we would seek God's eternal blessings with greater priority than earthly ones.