

Chayyei Sarah

Genesis 23:1-25:18

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Sarah lived one hundred and twenty-seven years; [these were] the years of the life of Sarah.

An underwater scene with sunlight filtering through the water surface, creating a shimmering effect. The water is a deep blue color, and the light rays are visible as bright, shimmering patterns. The text "Mayim 4" is centered in the lower half of the image.

Mayim 4

Jeremiah (Jeremias) 2:13-14

"My people have committed two sins: **They have forsaken me, the spring of living water,** and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water. Is Israel a servant, a slave by birth? Why then has he become plunder?"

Jeremiah (Jeremias) 2:2

"Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem:

This is what YHVH says: **'I remember the devotion of your youth, how as a bride you loved me and followed me through the wilderness, through a land not sown.'**"

Key concepts

- **Yah, our spring of living water**
- **Dug their own cisterns, cannot hold water**
- **Devotion of a young bride- covenant**
- **Torah connections??**
- **Why by a well? (Fleece??)**
- **Why a wife from my country & family?**

Genesis 24:2-3

So Abraham said to the oldest servant of his house, **who ruled over all that he had**, "Please, put your hand under my thigh, and I will make you swear by YHVH, the Elohim of heaven and the Elohim of the earth, **that you will not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites**, among whom I dwell."

Genesis 24:4

“But you shall go to my country and to my family, and **take a wife for my son Isaac.**”

Genesis 24:6-7

But Abraham said to him, "Beware that you do not take my son back there."

YHVH Elohim of heaven, who took me from my father's house and from the land of my family, and who spoke to me and swore to me, saying, '**To your descendants I give this land,**' He will send His angel before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there."

Genesis 24:10-11

Then the servant took ten of his master's camels and departed, for all his master's goods [were in] his hand. And he arose and went to Mesopotamia, **to the city of Nahor**. And he made his camels kneel down outside **the city** by a **well of water** at evening time, the time when **women** go out to draw [water].

Genesis 24:12-13

Then he said, "O YHVH Elohim of my **master Abraham**, please give me success this day, and show kindness to my master Abraham.

Behold, [here] I stand by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city are **coming out to draw water."**

Genesis 24:14

“Now let it be that the young woman to whom I say, 'Please let down your pitcher that I may drink,' and she says, **'Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink'--let her be the one You have appointed for Your servant Isaac.** And by this I will know that You have shown kindness to my master.” (Fleece?)

Judges (Jueces) 6:17

Then he said to Him, "If now I have found favor in Your sight, then show me a sign that it is You who talk with me."

Judges (Jueces) 6:36-37

So Gideon said to Elohim, "If You will save Israel by my hand as You have said-- look, I shall put a fleece of wool on the threshing floor; if there is dew on the fleece only, and [it is] dry on all the ground, **then I shall know that You will save Israel by my hand, as You have said.**" (Truth among lies)

Judges (Jueces) 6:39-40

Then Gideon said to Elohim, "Do not be angry with me, but let me speak just once more: Let me test, I pray, just once more with the fleece; let it now be dry only on the fleece, but on all the ground let there be dew."

And Elohim did so that night. It was dry on the fleece only, but there was dew on all the ground.

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Genesis 24:15

And it happened, before he had finished speaking, that behold, Rebekah, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, came out with her pitcher on her shoulder.

Genesis 24:16-17

Now the young woman [was] very beautiful to behold, a virgin; no man had known her. And she went down to the well, filled her pitcher, and came up.

And the servant ran to meet her and said,
"Please let me drink a little water from your pitcher."

Genesis 24:18-19

So she said, "Drink, my lord." Then she quickly let her pitcher down to her hand, and gave him a drink.

And when she had finished giving him a drink, she said, "**I will draw [water] for your camels** also, until they have finished drinking."
(Difference?)

Genesis 24:18-19

So she said, "Drink, my lord." Then she quickly let her pitcher down to her hand, and gave him a drink.

And when she had finished giving him a drink, she said, "**I will draw [water] for your camels also, until they have finished drinking.**"

Genesis 24:20

Then she quickly emptied her pitcher into the trough, **ran back to the well to draw [water]**,
and drew for all his camels.
(Caring for strangers like who??)

Why wife from my country and family??

- **There is still Yah's well there (now and later)**
- **Like Abraham**
- **Willing to love Yah and his neighbor with all his heart???** (Strangers-visitors)
- **Examples- Morsel of bread, water to wash feet, rest under the tree- Give water, water camels (till they were full), ran to do it**

Genesis 24:51

“Here [is] Rebekah before you; take [her] and go, and **let her be your master's son's wife**, as YHVH has spoken.”

(Rebekah left her country, family, and father's house.)

Genesis 24:62-63

Now Isaac came from the way of **Beer Lahai Roi**, for he dwelt in the South.

And Isaac went out to meditate in the field in the evening; and he lifted his eyes and looked, and there, the camels [were] coming.

(Well, Elohim who sees, meditate, lifted his eyes, while still praying...)

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Isaiah (Isaias) 58:11

YHVH will guide you continually, and satisfy your soul in drought, and strengthen your bones; you shall be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.

(Guide, Soul in drought, How like spring?)