

CONNECT QUESTIONS

- 1) How have you seen God work in your life this week?
- 2) How have you struggled to obey God's Word and live out your faith in Christ this week?
- 3) Read Genesis 16. Can you relate to Hagar? Have you ever felt so hurt, alone, or unsafe? Have you ever wanted to run away?
- 4) God meets Hagar in the desert, and God meets us where we are. He asks, "Where have you come from and where are you going?" Take a few moments of silence to reflect on this question. Then, consider sharing your answer or writing it down into a prayer.
- 5) Hagar feels seen by God, so she calls Him "The God who sees me." Based on your experience with God, what is a name you could call Him?
- 6) Take a moment to praise God, to pray for the needs of your group and our church, and to ask for God's guidance in the coming week.

Memory Passage

[Hagar] gave this name to the LORD who spoke to her:
"You are the God who sees me," for she said, "I have
now seen the One who sees me."

— *Genesis 16:13 (NIV)*

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10:00 AM

Call to Worship

Ashley Schiada

Songs of Praise

"Seeing You"

"Rest On Us"

"Break Through"

Prayer

Melissa Rudolfs

Announcements / Greet One Another

Sermon

Pastor Travis

▪ *The God Who Sees* ▪

Songs of Praise

"In Christ Alone"

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Benediction

Genesis 16:6b-16 (NIV)

^{6b} Then Sarai mistreated Hagar; so she fled from her.
⁷ The angel of the LORD found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur.
⁸ And he said, “Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?”
“I’m running away from my mistress Sarai,” she answered.
⁹ Then the angel of the LORD told her, “Go back to your mistress and submit to her.” ¹⁰ The angel added, “I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count.”
¹¹ The angel of the LORD also said to her:
“You are now pregnant
and you will give birth to a son.
You shall name him Ishmael,
for the LORD has heard of your misery.
¹² He will be a wild donkey of a man;
his hand will be against everyone
and everyone’s hand against him,
and he will live in hostility
toward all his brothers.”
¹³ She gave this name to the LORD who spoke to her:
“You are the God who sees me,” for she said, “I have now seen the One who sees me.” ¹⁴ That is why the well was called Beer Lahai Roi; it is still there, between Kadesh and Bered.
¹⁵ So Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram gave the name Ishmael to the son she had borne. ¹⁶ Abram was eighty-six years old when Hagar bore him Ishmael.

Notes:
The God Who Sees
