

Abraham: the Father of Perversion



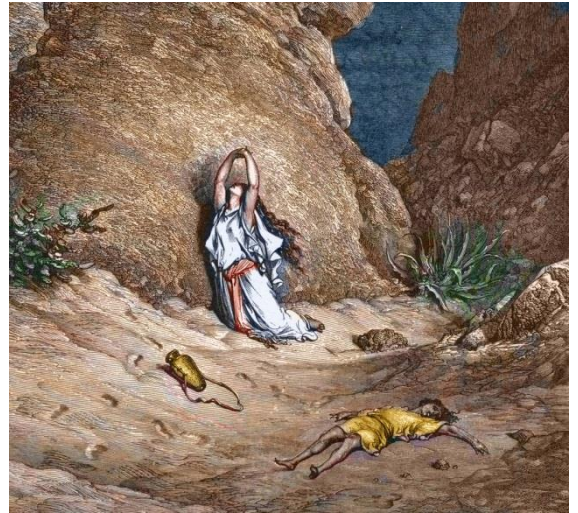
Sarah (*middle*), Abraham's wife, who remained childless until old age, brings Hagar (*left*), her slave, to Abraham (*right*). (Genesis 16)



When Hagar became pregnant to give birth to a boy, rivalry arose between the two women. Abraham gave Sarah a permission to treat Hagar the way she liked. But God favored Hagar and told her to name the boy Ismael, promising prosperity to his race. (Genesis 16)



Then God proposed a contract to Abraham, promising prosperity to his offsprings, and told him to circumcise himself, Ishmael, and other men in his tribe as a sign of having accepted the offer. (Genesis 17)



After 14 years, Sarah gave birth to Isaac. The two boys did not get along. Persuaded by Sarah, Abraham agreed to drive Hagar and Ismael away into the desert. Yet, they survived and, from their offsprings, arose the Arabian race and the religion of Mohammed. (Genesis 17)



Then, three angels appeared at Abraham's house, one of them the personification of God himself, with an intention to study the world and obviously also to examine Abraham, to be able to determine if things had gone so bad that he would have to bring destruction. (Genesis 18)

From the mouth of one of the angels, God reveals his plan to destroy Sodom and Gomora. Abraham argues that maybe it should not be done as long as there was even a single good man there. He was obviously thinking of Lot, his nephew, living there.

But, are Lot and his family, like Abraham and his wife such righteous ones who can tell good from bad? So, the angels had to go there to see, ready to destroy the cities if they turned out not be so righteous.



Two of the three angels who visited Abraham then headed to Sodom. It was not to be destroyed if they found even one righteous one still living there. Upon arrival at Sodom, the two handsome angels got raped by men. But then, Lot, Abraham's nephew sheltered them. He told the angry mob outside, "You can have my daughter instead if you want. She's a virgin." What a righteous man!



The two angels told Lot of their intention to destroy Sodom. Lot flees with his wife and two daughters. But, Lot's wife had no control over her curiosity. She turns around, ignoring the warning from the two angels not to do so, saw the destruction and turned herself into a pillar of salt.



Leaving mama who turned into a pillar of salt, Lot and his two daughters escapes the destruction and shelter themselves in a cave.



Lot's two daughters were devastated by seeing that all men had gone . . . except their father! The two girls discuss with one another: "Let's make him get drunk and then have him. I take him tonight, you tomorrow night"



Then, obviously, God had to see how far Abraham might go in his perversion, so He told Abraham to kill and barbecue Issac, his son. Something like this appears to have been part of the contract Abraham entered into with God. Abraham tied up Issac and got ready to kill him. Then an angel comes to stop him; "Alright, enough, you have proven that you are a righteous man!" (Genesis 22)