

**#856 Why Abraham Lincoln was named Abraham – The Genesis 16 Birth of Ishmael: The Lord ordained Abraham Lincoln to be the 16th President of the United States for the purpose of representing the focus of Genesis chapter 16, Abram’s Seed of Ishmael**

**The 16<sup>th</sup> President**

This Unsealing is essentially about why God ordained a man named *Abraham* – who would represent ‘Ye shall be made free from *the bondage of men*’ – to be numbered the 16<sup>th</sup> President of the United States.

**The Genesis 16 Birth of Ishmael**

*Genesis 16:1-16 (KJV) Now Sarai Abram’s wife bare him no children: and she had an handmaid, an Egyptian, whose name was Hagar.*

*2 And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now, the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children by her. And Abram hearkened to the voice of Sarai.*

*3 And Sarai Abram’s wife took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan, and gave her to her husband Abram to be his wife.*

*4 And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes.*

*5 And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong be upon thee: I have given my maid into thy bosom; and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her eyes: the LORD judge between me and thee.*

*6 But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid is in thy hand; do to her as it pleaseth thee. And when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face.*

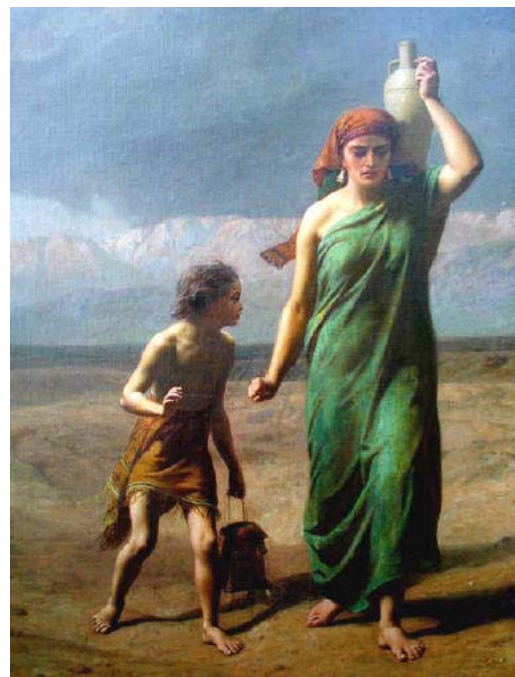
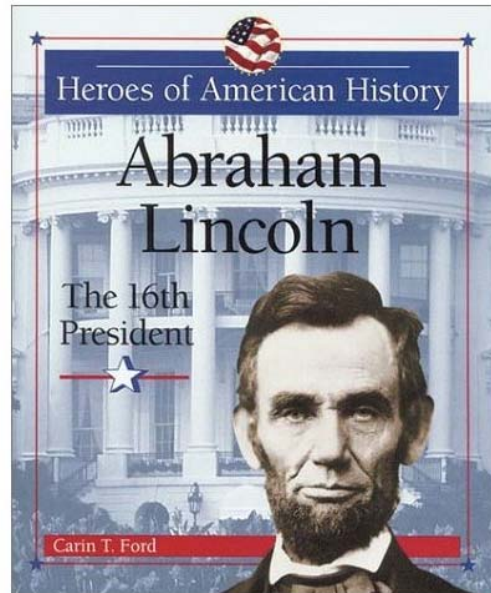
*7 And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur.*

*8 And he said, Hagar, Sarai’s maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai.*

*9 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her hands.*

*10 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.*

*11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou art with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt*



**Ishmael and Hagar**

call his name Ishmael; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction.

12 And he will be a wild man; his hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.

13 And she called the name of the LORD that spake unto her, Thou God seest me: for she said, Have I also here looked after him that seeth me?

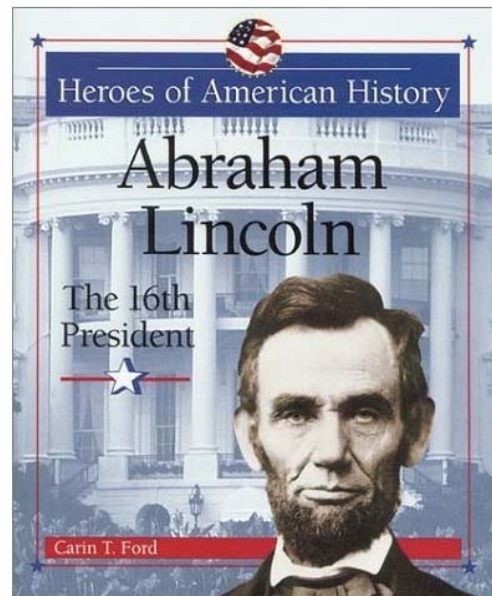
14 Wherefore the well was called Beerlahairoi; behold, it is between Kadesh and Bered.

15 **AND HAGAR BARE ABRAM A SON: AND ABRAM CALLED HIS SON'S NAME, WHICH HAGAR BARE, ISHMAEL.**

16 **AND ABRAM WAS FOURSCORE AND SIX YEARS OLD, WHEN HAGAR BARE ISHMAEL TO ABRAM.**

**Key Understanding: Why Abraham Lincoln was the 16th president. In the passage of John 8:31-47 in the previous Unsealing, Jesus Christ is counting the Jews, though they are of the natural seed of Isaac, as if they were of the natural seed of Ishmael, for they spiritually were “not of God.” Likewise, the ‘new birth of freedom’ seed (children) of Abraham Lincoln are counted spiritually as if they are Abraham’s (Abram’s) seed through Ishmael. The birth of Ishmael is the focus of Genesis 16. In fact, to emphasize the significance of 16 and Ishmael, the Lord designed that there be 16 verses in Genesis 16. The chapter ends in Genesis 16:16 with the birth of Ishmael. The Lord ordained Abraham Lincoln to be the 16th President of the United States for the purpose of spiritually**

**representing his ‘new birth of freedom’ children as being Abraham’s (Abram’s) children through Genesis 16’s Ishmael.** [Note the matching up of the *birth* theme with the *birth* of Ishmael and a “*new birth* of freedom.” The 16<sup>th</sup> President’s “*new birth* of freedom” is represented by the Genesis 16:16 *birth* of Ishmael.]



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