Hagar and the God Who Sees Me: Revelation and Refuge



Explore Hagar's journey in the wilderness and discover how God's presence and provision offer hope and strength for life's struggles.





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Introduction

Welcome to this 7-day Bible study plan focusing on Hagar, "the God who sees me." Hagar's story, found in the book of Genesis, is often overlooked, yet it reveals profound truths about God's nature—His care, provision, and intimate knowledge of our hardships.

In the midst of rejection and despair, Hagar encounters the Divine in the wilderness. She experiences a God who does not turn away but sees her—the God who notices the lonely, the hurting, and the forgotten. This encounter is a powerful reminder that no matter our circumstances, God is always present, watching over us and providing for our needs.

Throughout this study, we will journey alongside Hagar, reflect on God's promises, and learn to trust in His seeing eyes and open heart. Our devotional moments will invite us to discover refuge in God's presence, even when life feels desolate and uncertain.

As we look deeply into Hagar's experience, we will be encouraged to invite God's eyes upon us, resting in the assurance that He understands our pain and leads us toward hope and restoration. Let this time refresh your spirit, deepen your faith, and strengthen your confidence that the God who saw Hagar sees you too — intimately and lovingly.

















Your Verse

Genesis 16:13 NIV – '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."'

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 33:18 'But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love.'
- Isaiah 49:15 'Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you!'







Devotional: Recognizing God's Attentive Presence

Hagar's encounter with God in Genesis 16 is a profound moment of recognition and comfort. Abandoned and fleeing, she feels unseen by those around her, yet God comes near to her and declares Himself as the One who sees. This declaration is not just reassurance but a revelation about God's nature—He is a God who is attentive and aware of our struggles.

Many of us can relate to feeling unnoticed or overlooked, especially in times of hardship. But the truth found here reminds us that God's eyes are never turned away. He understands our pain and watches over us with compassion. The name Hagar gives God—El Roi, the God who sees me—is a beautiful affirmation of God's personal care.

Today, reflect on the areas of your life where you feel unseen or invisible. Remember that God's eyes rest on you with love and understanding. In every situation, He sees you, knows your heart, and will provide what you need.







Reflect and Apply

1.	Where in your life do you feel unseen or overlooked?
	How does knowing God sees you change your perspective on those feelings?
	In what ways can you become more aware of God's presence in your daily moments?







Journaling Prompts

	Write about a time when you felt God's presence even when no one else noticed you.
	List areas where you want to invite God's seeing eyes to bring healing or clarity.
3.	Reflect on how Hagar's naming of God challenges your understanding of God's nature.







Prayer for Today

Lord, thank You for being the God who sees me. When I feel invisible or alone, remind me that You are actively watching over me with love and care. Help me find peace in Your presence, knowing nothing escapes Your notice. Illuminate my heart with Your truth and guide me through every challenge with Your faithful eyes fixed on me. May I rest in Your deep compassion and experience the comfort only You can provide. *In Jesus' name, Amen.*











Day 2: **1** In the Wilderness









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Your Verse

Genesis 16:7-14 NIV - 'The angel of the Lord found Hagar near a spring in the desert...'

Supporting Scriptures

- Exodus 3:7 'I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt... I am concerned about their suffering.'
- Psalm 23:4 'Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me.'







Day 2: **(**) In the Wilderness

Devotional: God Meets Us in Our Wilderness

Hagar's wilderness experience is a powerful metaphor for the lonely and difficult seasons of life. The desert is a place of barrenness, hardship, and uncertainty. But it is also where God meets Hagar—found near a spring, a source of life amid desolation.

Often, our own wilderness moments feel barren and hopeless, yet God's encounter with Hagar reminds us He meets us right where we are. He offers guidance, provision, and hope even in the most desolate places.

When you find yourself in a wilderness—whether emotional, spiritual, or physical—remember that God is not distant. He is actively seeking us out, ready to provide comfort and direction.







Day 2: 🌓 In the Wilderness

Reflect and Apply

1.	What wilderness seasons have you walked through in your life?
2.	How did God reveal Himself to you during those hard times?
	Where can you sense His presence with you even in the dry or difficult places?







Day 2: 🌓 In the Wilderness

Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe a time you felt alone or lost and how God responded to you.
	Write about the 'springs' of refreshment God has provided in tough moments.
	Reflect on any current challenges that feel like a wilderness and invite God's presence there.







Day 2: **(**) In the Wilderness

Prayer for Today

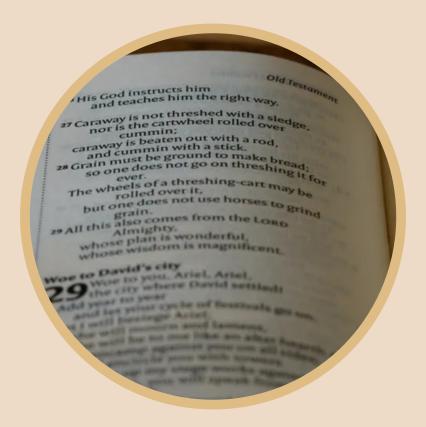
God of the wilderness, You find me in my dry places. When I feel lost and worn, draw near to me as You did to Hagar. Fill my emptiness with Your living water, and guide me to springs of hope and life. Help me trust that You are close even when I feel far away. Strengthen my faith to see Your goodness amid the barrenness. *Thank You for being my refuge and source of renewal.*Amen. �� �� ��

















Your Verse

Genesis 16:8-11 NIV - 'Then the angel of the Lord told her...'

Supporting Scriptures

- Jeremiah 1:4-5 'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you...'
- John 10:27 'My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.'







Devotional: Listening to God's Personal Voice

One of the most striking aspects of Hagar's story is the personal dialogue she has with God's messenger. God speaks words of comfort, instruction, and promise, reminding Hagar that her life is known and valued.

This divine communication shows us the importance of listening for God's voice—He speaks into our fears, our uncertainty, and our future. Like Hagar, we often need reassurance that our stories matter to God, and He has a plan even in confusing circumstances.

Today, consider the ways God speaks to you. Are you listening? How might He be encouraging or guiding you through His Word or prayer?







Reflect and Apply

1.	How has God spoken to you during hard or uncertain times?
2.	What keeps you from hearing and recognizing God's voice more clearly?
3.	How can you create space in your day to listen to God intentionally?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time God's words brought you comfort or guidance.
2.	Reflect on what it means to you that God personally knows your story.
3.	List ways you can improve your listening to God's voice daily.







Prayer for Today

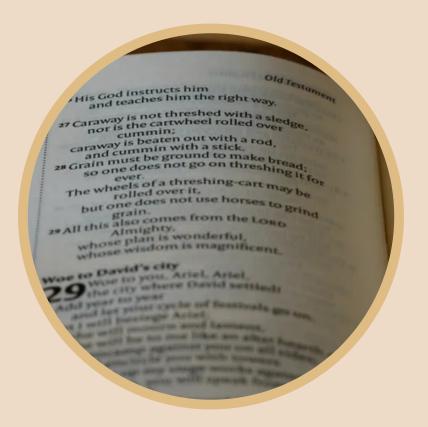
Lord, help me to hear Your voice clearly amid life's noise. Speak words of peace and direction to my heart. Remind me that I am known and deeply valued by You. Give me patience and attention to recognize Your guidance in Scripture, prayer, and circumstance. May my heart be open and responsive to Your loving conversation. *Thank You for speaking and walking with me always.* Amen.

















Your Verse

Genesis 21:14–19 NIV – 'God heard the boy crying... and God was with the boy.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Philippians 4:19 'And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.'
- Matthew 6:31-33 'But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.'







Devotional: Trusting God's Faithful Provision

After Hagar and her son Ishmael were sent away, God's provision was evident in the wilderness. When resources ran out and despair deepened, God's intervention brought refreshment and renewed hope.

God's care doesn't always mean life is easy, but it promises we are not abandoned. He knows our needs and faithfully meets them, sometimes in unexpected ways. Trusting God's provision requires faith, patience, and surrender.

Think about what provision looks like in your life. How might God be providing for you today, even amidst uncertainty?







Reflect and Apply

	In what ways have you experienced God's provision during difficult seasons?
	How do you react when God's provision seems delayed or different than expected?
3.	What areas of your life are you invited to trust God's provision more fully?







Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a time God provided for a need you did not expect.
2.	List current needs you want to bring before God for provision.
3.	Reflect on where you struggle to trust God with your daily needs.







Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, thank You for always providing for me. Even when resources feel scarce or the future uncertain, I trust in Your faithful care. Help me to see Your hand working behind the scenes and to rest in Your timing. Teach me to rely on Your strength and not my own. May I find peace knowing You hear my cries and answer with abundant love. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* \(\right) \(\mathcal{P}\) \(\limes\)

















Your Verse

Genesis 16:12 NIV - 'He will be a wild donkey of a man... his hand against everyone and everyone's hand against him.'

Supporting Scriptures

- Psalm 91:4 'He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge.'
- 2 Thessalonians 3:3 'But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.'







Devotional: Finding Refuge in God's Protection

God's protection over Hagar and Ishmael amid hostility reveals His powerful care even in conflict. Though Ishmael's future held hardship, God promised presence and protection.

Sometimes life brings opposition and challenges that feel overwhelming. Still, we hold firm to the truth that God is our shield and refuge, defending us and offering safety even when the road is difficult.

Today, consider where you need to claim God's protection. How can His presence embolden you to persevere?







Reflect and Apply

1.	What fears or threats weigh heaviest on your heart right now?
	How does knowing God protects you influence your response to challenges?
	Are there areas where you need to more fully surrender to God's protective care?
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Journaling Prompts

1.	Describe a situation where you felt God's protection distinctly.
2.	Write about vulnerabilities you want to entrust to God's shielding care.
3.	Reflect on how God's promises of protection shape your courage.







Prayer for Today

Lord God, You are my shield and fortress. Guard me against all harm and hold me safe in Your loving arms. Strengthen me to face difficulties without fear, knowing You are greater than any opposition. Help me to rest deeply in Your protection and to walk boldly forward in faith. *I trust You to cover me with Your wings and defend me with Your strength.* Amen.









Day 6: K Hope in God's Promises









Day 6: Nope in God's Promises

Your Verse

Genesis 17:19 NIV – 'Then God said, "Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him Isaac."

Supporting Scriptures

- Romans 15:13 'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him.'
- Hebrews 10:23 'Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.'







Day 6: Nope in God's Promises

Devotional: Anchoring Hope in God's Faithfulness

The promise of Isaac signified God's faithfulness to Abraham's family even amidst complex situations. Hagar's story is interwoven with God's covenant promises, showing that His plan includes all people and situations.

Hope is central to our faith journey. Even when circumstances seem bleak, God's promises shine as beacons lighting the path ahead. Our confidence grows when we anchor ourselves in His faithfulness and anticipate His goodness.

How can you hold on to God's promises today? Let this truth renew your hope and inspire steadfast faith.







Day 6: 💥 Hope in God's Promises

Reflect and Apply

1.	What promises of God encourage you most in difficult times?
2.	How do you maintain hope when waiting for God's promises to unfold?
	In what ways can you share the hope found in God's faithfulness with others?







Day 6: 🎇 Hope in God's Promises

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about a promise from God that has sustained you.
2.	Reflect on moments when hope was challenged but God was faithful.
	Consider how you can encourage someone else with the hope of God's promises.







Day 6: Nope in God's Promises

Prayer for Today

God of promise, fill me with Your hope. When uncertainty and waiting wear me down, remind me of Your faithful word. Help me to trust Your timing and hold firm to the hope You provide. May Your joy and peace guard my heart, and may my life reflect the confident expectation of Your goodness. *Thank You for being a God who never fails.* Amen. 💸 🙏 😂 😂









Day 7: Od's Presence Always









Day 7: 🂢 God's Presence Always

Your Verse

Psalm 139:7-10 NIV - 'Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?'

Supporting Scriptures

- Isaiah 41:10 'So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God.'
- Matthew 28:20 'And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.'







Day 7: 🍑 God's Presence Always

Devotional: Embracing God's Constant Presence

Reflecting on God's omnipresence brings deep comfort—He is with us in every moment and place. Just as Hagar was never truly alone, even in exile, we too are embraced by God's unending presence.

Life's challenges may sway our confidence, but the assurance that God walks beside us sustains and empowers us. His promise to never leave or forsake us is a cornerstone of hope and courage.

Today, remind yourself that God's presence is a constant source of strength. Embrace the fact that wherever life takes you, you walk accompanied by the loving God who sees and sustains you.







Day 7: 🌣 God's Presence Always

Reflect and Apply

	How does knowing God is always with you change your outlook on daily life?
2.	In what situations do you find it hardest to sense God's presence?
3.	How can you cultivate greater awareness of God's nearness each day?







Day 7: 🂢 God's Presence Always

Journaling Prompts

Recall moments when you felt God's presence powerfully.
Write about ways you want to invite God's presence more intentionally.
Reflect on fears or doubts you want to surrender knowing God is near.







Day 7: 🂢 God's Presence Always

Prayer for Today

Ever-present God, thank You that You never leave me. In moments of joy and struggle, remind me that Your Spirit surrounds and sustains me. Help me to rest in Your promised presence, knowing You accompany me wherever I go. Strengthen my faith to trust Your closeness and to walk boldly in the assurance that You see, guide, and love me always. *In Jesus' name, Amen.* \heartsuit







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