"The Struggle of Waiting on God" Genesis 16:1-16

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- 4. He is distinguishing between the son of the promise made to Abram and the son of the flesh carried by Hagar (Galatians 4:21-5:1)

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The gospel is the good news that the just and gracious God of the universe looked upon hopelessly sinful people and sent His only son, Jesus Christ, God in human flesh to bare his wrath against sin on the cross and to show his power of sin in the resurrection, so that, all who turn from their sin and put their faith in him can be reconciled to the father forever.