Study Notes and Questions for Genesis 20 and 21

Chapter 20

- What is the region of Gerar better known as throughout the Old Testament?
- What mistake did Abraham repeat in this chapter?
- What assumptions did Abraham make about the people of Gerar?
- Was Abraham correct in his assumptions?
- Why do we make assumptions and what is the danger of doing so?
- What efforts did Abimelech go to to rectify the situation?
- What did Abraham do to bring restoration to Abimelech's kingdom?

Chapter 21

- What promise was finally fulfilled in this chapter?
- How long did it take for this particular promise to be fulfilled?
- What act of obedience did Abraham perform in verse 4?
- How does Sarah's statement in verse 6 relate to the name given to her son?
- What point in young Isaac's growth did Abraham celebrate?
- How did Ishmael react to the celebration they were having for Isaac?
- What was Sarah's response to Ishmael's mocking laughter?
- How did Abraham feel about what Sarah said?
- How did the Lord console Abraham about sending the boy and his mother away?
- What did God remind Abraham about Ishmael's part in the covenant promises that had been given to Abraham?
- How did God respond when Ishmael and his mother ran out of water?
- Why did Abimelech come to speak with Abraham?
- What conflict did Abraham bring up to Abimelech?
- How was everything resolved?
- What did you learn from this study?