

Genesis 24:34-51

So he said, "I am Abraham's servant. ³⁵ "The LORD has greatly blessed my master, so that he has become rich ; and He has given him flocks and herds, and silver and gold, and servants and maids, and camels and donkeys. ³⁶ "Now Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master in her old age, and he has given him all that he has. ³⁷ "My master made me swear, saying, 'You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live ; ³⁸ but you shall go to my father's house and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son.' ³⁹ "I said to my master, 'Suppose the woman does not follow me.' ⁴⁰ "He said to me, 'The LORD, before whom I have walked, will send His angel with you to make your journey successful, and you will take a wife for my son from my relatives and from my father's house; ⁴¹ then you will be free from my oath, when you come to my relatives; and if they do not give her to you, you will be free from my oath.'

⁴² "So I came today to the spring, and said, 'O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now You will make my journey on which I go successful; ⁴³ behold, I am standing by the spring , and may it be that the maiden who comes out to draw, and to whom I say, "Please let me drink a little water from your jar"; ⁴⁴ and she will say to me, "You drink, and I will draw for your camels also"; let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master's son.'

⁴⁵ "Before I had finished speaking in my heart, behold, Rebekah came out with her jar on her shoulder, and went down to the spring and drew, and I said to her, 'Please let me drink.' ⁴⁶ "She quickly lowered her jar from her *shoulder*, and said, 'Drink, and I will water your camels also'; so I drank, and she watered the camels also. ⁴⁷ "Then I asked her, and said, 'Whose daughter are you?' And she said, 'The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him'; and I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her wrists. ⁴⁸ "And I bowed low and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had guided me in the right way to take the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. ⁴⁹ "So now if you are going to deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, let me know, that I may turn to the right hand or the left." ⁵⁰ Then Laban and Bethuel replied, "The matter comes from the LORD; *so* we cannot speak to you bad or good. ⁵¹ "Here is Rebekah before you, take *her* and go, and let her be the wife of your master's son, as the LORD has spoken."