



December 8, 2019

Welcome!  
We are glad you joined us today.

**Our Vision** is to develop people into followers of Jesus Christ with a passion to worship God well and communicate his love to others.



To make disciples who make disciples!

**If you are our guest today**, please complete the connection card located in the pocket of the chair in front of you. After the service, you are invited to join us for coffee and light refreshments in the back of the Worship Center.

**Harvest Kids classes** are available during worship service for babies-preschoolers. Elementary students join their families for the first portion of the service, and then are dismissed to their classes (K-1 in room 102, 2-3 in room 103, 4-5 in room 105).



**Today's sermon** given by Senior Pastor Jerry Barber is based on Genesis 21:8-34 and is titled, "Unexpected Kindness."

## What's Happening...

Mature Adults Community Group, December 11, from 7:00-9:00 PM  
ESL, December 13, from 10:00-11:30 AM  
Men's Discussion Group, December 13, from 8:00-10:00 AM

### Upcoming Podcast:

12/12—"How Should a Christian Relate to Government and Politics?"



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## Unexpected Kindness | Genesis 21:8-34

**Context:** After Isaac, son of the promise, is born, what will happen to Ishmael?

**What we learn about God from this passage:**

1. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (8-13).
2. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (14-19).
3. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (20-21).
4. God is \_\_\_\_\_ (22-34).

### Allegory?

- Allegory is not normally the proper way to interpret Scripture.
- The only stated allegory in the Bible is this story of Hagar and Sarah (Galatians 4:21-31).
- The apostle Paul wrote under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and therefore his allegorical interpretation is legitimate.
- Allegory is different from something used more commonly—typology.

**What we learn about the Gospel based on Paul's use of this passage:**

1. Salvation comes by the grace of God \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Christ brings \_\_\_\_\_.

