

¹وَسَاحَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ وَتَقَدَّمَ فِي الْأَيَّامِ. وَبَارَكَ الرَّبُّ إِبْرَاهِيمَ فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ.² وَقَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ لِعَبْدِهِ كَبِيرِ بَيْتِهِ الْمُسْتَوَلِيِّ عَلَى كُلِّ مَا كَانَ لَهُ، صَعًى يَدَكَ تَحْتَ فَعْدِي،³ فَاسْتَخْلِفَكَ بِالرَّبِّ إِلَهُ السَّمَاءِ وَإِلَهُ الْأَرْضِ أَنْ لَا تَأْخُذَ زَوْجَةً لِيْنِي مِنْ بَنَاتِ الْكَتْعَانِيِّينَ الَّذِينَ أَنَا سَاكِنٌ بَيْنَهُمْ،⁴ بَلْ إِلَى أَرْضِي وَإِلَى عَشِيرَتِي تَذْهَبُ وَتَأْخُذُ زَوْجَةً لِيْنِي إِسْحَاقَ.⁵ فَقَالَ لَهُ الْعَبْدُ، رُبَّمَا لَا تَسَاءُ الْمَرْأَةُ أَنْ تَتَّبِعَنِي إِلَى هَذِهِ الْأَرْضِ. هَلْ أَرْجِعُ بِإِيْنِكَ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ الَّتِي خَرَجْتَ مِنْهَا.⁶ فَقَالَ لَهُ إِبْرَاهِيمُ، اجْتَزِرْ مِنْ أَنْ تَرْجِعَ بِإِيْنِي إِلَى هُنَاكَ.⁷ الرَّبُّ إِلَهُ السَّمَاءِ الَّذِي أَخَذَنِي مِنْ بَيْتِ أَبِي وَمِنْ أَرْضِ مِيلَادِي، وَالَّذِي كَلَّمَنِي وَالَّذِي أَفْسَمَ لِي قَائِلًا، لِنَسْلِكَ أَعْطِي هَذِهِ الْأَرْضَ، هُوَ يُرْسِلُ مَلَكَهُ أَمَامَكَ، فَتَأْخُذُ زَوْجَةً لِيْنِي مِنْ هُنَاكَ.⁸ وَإِنْ لَمْ تَسِ الْمَرْأَةُ أَنْ تَتَّبِعَكَ، تَبَرَّأْتُ مِنْ خَلْفِي هَذَا. أَمَّا إِيْنِي فَلَا تَرْجِعْ بِهِ إِلَى هُنَاكَ. فَوَضَعَ الْعَبْدُ يَدَهُ تَحْتَ فَخَذِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ مَوْلَاهُ، وَخَلَفَ لَهُ عَلَى هَذَا الْأَمْرِ.¹⁰ ثُمَّ أَخَذَ الْعَبْدُ عَشْرَةَ جِمَالٍ مِنْ جِمَالِ مَوْلَاهُ، وَمَصَى وَجَمِيعَ خَبِرَاتِ مَوْلَاهُ فِي يَدِهِ. فَقَامَ وَذَهَبَ إِلَى أَرَامِ النَّهْرَيْنِ إِلَى مَدِينَةِ تَاخُورَ.¹¹ وَأَتَاخَ الْجِمَالُ خَارِجَ الْمَدِينَةِ عِنْدَ بَيْرِ الْمَاءِ وَفَتِ الْمَسَاءِ، وَفَتِ خُرُوجَ الْمُسْتَقْبَاتِ.¹² وَقَالَ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهُ سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ، يَسِّرْ لِي الْيَوْمَ وَاصْنَعْ لَطْفًا إِلَى سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ.¹³ هَا أَنَا وَقِفْتُ عَلَى عَيْنِ الْمَاءِ، وَبَنَاتُ أَهْلِ الْمَدِينَةِ خَارِجَاتٌ لِيَسْتَقِينَ مَاءً.¹⁴ فَلْيَكُنْ أَنَّ الْقَنَاءَ الَّتِي أَقُولُ لَهَا، أَمِيلِي جَرَّتَكَ لِأَشْرَبَ، فَقُولِي، اشْرَبِي وَأَنَا أَسْقِي جِمَالَكَ أَيْضًا، هِيَ الَّتِي عَبَّيْتُهَا لِعَبْدِكَ إِسْحَاقَ. وَبِهَا أَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ صَنَعْتَ لَطْفًا إِلَيَّ سَيِّدِي.¹⁵ وَإِذْ كَانَ لَمْ يَقْرَعْ بَعْدُ مِنَ الْكَلَامِ، إِذَا رَفَقَةً الَّتِي وُلِدَتْ لِابْنُوَيْلِ ابْنِ مَلِكَةِ امْرَأَةٍ تَاخُورَ أَخِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ، خَارِجَةً وَجَرَّتُهَا عَلَى كَتِفِهَا.¹⁶ وَكَانَتْ الْقَنَاءُ حَسَنَةً الْمُنْطَرِ جِدًّا، وَعَدْرَاءُ لَمْ يَعْرِفُهَا رَجُلٌ. فَتَرَلْتُ إِلَى الْعَيْنِ وَمَلَأْتُ جَرَّتَهَا وَطَلَعْتُ.¹⁷ فَكَرَضَ الْعَبْدُ لِلْقَانِئَةِ وَقَالَ، اسْقِينِي قَلِيلَ مَاءٍ مِنْ جَرَّتِكَ. فَقَالَتْ، اشْرَبِي يَا سَيِّدِي. وَأَسْرَعْتُ وَأَتَرَلْتُ جَرَّتَهَا عَلَى يَدِهَا وَسَقَيْتُهَا.¹⁹ وَلَمَّا قَرَعْتُ مِنْ سَقِيهِ قَالَتْ، أَسْقِينِي لِحِمَالِكَ أَيْضًا حَتَّى تَفْرَعَ مِنَ الشُّرْبِ.²⁰ فَاسْرَعْتُ وَأَفْرَعْتُ جَرَّتَهَا فِي الْمَسْقَاةِ، وَرَكَصْتُ أَيْضًا إِلَى الْبَيْرِ لِنَسْتَقِيَ. فَاسْتَقْتُ لِكُلِّ جِمَالِهِ.²¹ وَالرَّجُلُ يَتَفَرَّسُ فِيهَا ضَامِتًا لِيَعْلَمَ، هَلْ أَنْجَحَ الرَّبُّ طَرِيقَهُ أَمْ لَا.²² وَحَدَّثَتْ عِنْدَمَا قَرَعَتْ الْجِمَالُ مِنَ

¹And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things.²And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh:³And I will make thee swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell:⁴But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac.⁵And the servant said unto him, Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy son again unto the land from whence thou camest?⁶And Abraham said unto him, Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.⁷The LORD God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me, and that sware unto me, saying, Unto thy seed will I give this land; he shall send his angel before thee, and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.⁸And if the woman will not be willing to follow thee, then thou shalt be clear from this my oath: only bring not my son thither again.⁹And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and sware to him concerning that matter.¹⁰And the servant took ten camels of the camels of his master, and departed; for all the goods of his master were in his hand: and he arose, and went to Mesopotamia, unto the city of Nahor.¹¹And he made his camels to kneel down without the city by a well of water at the time of

السُّرْبِ أَنَّ الرَّجُلَ أَحَدَ خَرَامَةِ دَهَبٍ وَزُيْهَا نِصْفُ شَاقِلٍ وَسَوَارِينَ عَلَى يَدَيْهَا وَزُيْهَمَا عَشْرَةُ شَوَاقِلٍ دَهَبٍ.²³ وَقَالَ، يَنْتُ مَنْ أَنْتَ. أَخْبِرْنِي. هَلْ فِي بَيْتِ أَبِيكَ مَكَانٌ لَنَا لِنَتَبَّسَّ. فَقَالَتْ لَهُ، أَتَا يَنْتُ بَثُوِيلَ ابْنِ مَلِكَةِ الَّذِي وَلَدْنَهُ لِنَاحُورَ.²⁴ وَقَالَتْ لَهُ، عِنْدَنَا بَيْنَ وَعَلَفُ كَثِيرٌ، وَمَكَانٌ لِنَتَبَّسُوا أَيْضًا.²⁵ فَخَرَّ الرَّجُلُ وَسَجَدَ لِلرَّبِّ،²⁶ وَقَالَ، مُبَارَكُ الرَّبِّ إِلَهَ سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ الَّذِي لَمْ يَمْنَعْ لَطْفَهُ وَحَقَّهُ عَن سَيِّدِي. إِذْ كُنْتُ أَتَا فِي الطَّرِيقِ هَذَا بَيْتَ إِلَى بَيْتِ إِخْوَةِ سَيِّدِي.²⁷ فَكَرَّصَتِ الْقَتَاةُ وَأَجْبَرَتْ بَيْتَ أُمِّهَا يَحْسَبِ هَذِهِ الْأُمُورَ.²⁸ وَكَانَ لِرِفْقَةٍ أُخْ اسْمُهُ لَبَانُ. فَكَرَّصَ لَبَانُ إِلَى الرَّجُلِ خَارِجًا إِلَى الْعَيْنِ.²⁹ وَخَدَّتْ أَنَّهُ إِذْ رَأَى الْخَرَامَةَ وَالسَّوَارِينَ عَلَى يَدَيِ أُخْتِهِ، وَإِذْ سَمِعَ كَلَامَ رِفْقَةٍ أُخْتِهِ قَائِلَةً، هَكَذَا كَلَّمَنِي الرَّجُلُ جَاءَ إِلَى الرَّجُلِ، وَإِذَا هُوَ وَاقِفٌ عِنْدَ الْجِمَالِ عَلَى الْعَيْنِ.³⁰ فَقَالَ، ادْخُلْ يَا مُبَارَكُ الرَّبِّ. لِمَاذَا تَقِفُ خَارِجًا وَأَنَا قَدْ هَبَّاتُ الْبَيْتَ وَمَكَانًا لِلْجِمَالِ.³¹ فَدَخَلَ الرَّجُلُ إِلَى الْبَيْتِ وَخَلَّ عَنِ الْجِمَالِ. فَأَعْطَى تَبْنًا وَعَلَفًا لِلْجِمَالِ، وَمَاءً لِيَغْسِلَ رِجْلَيْهِ وَأَرْجُلَ الرِّجَالِ الَّذِينَ مَعَهُ.³² وَوَضَعَ قُدَامَهُ لِيَأْكُلَ. فَقَالَ، لَا أَكُلُ حَتَّى أَتَكَلَّمَ كَلَامِي. فَقَالَ، تَكَلَّمْ.³³ فَقَالَ، أَتَا عِنْدَ إِبْرَاهِيمَ.³⁴ وَالرَّبُّ قَدْ بَارَكَ مَوْلَايَ جِدًّا فَصَارَ عَظِيمًا، وَأَعْطَاهُ غَنَمًا وَتَقْرًا وَفِصَّةً وَدَهَبًا وَغِيدًا وَإِمَاءً وَجَمَالًا وَخَمِيرًا.³⁵ وَوَلَدَتْ سَارَةُ امْرَأَةً سَيِّدِي ابْنًا لِسَيِّدِي بَعْدَ مَا سَاخَتْ، فَقَدْ أَعْطَاهُ كُلُّ مَا لَهُ.³⁶ وَاسْتَخْلَفَنِي سَيِّدِي قَائِلًا، لَا تَأْخُذْ زَوْجَةً لِيَابِي مِنْ بَنَاتِ الْكَنْعَانِيِّينَ الَّذِينَ أَتَا سَاكِنٌ فِي أَرْضِهِمْ،³⁷ بَلْ إِلَى بَيْتِ أَبِي تَذْهَبُ وَإِلَى عَشِيرَتِي، وَتَأْخُذُ زَوْجَةً لِيَابِي.³⁸ فَقُلْتُ لِسَيِّدِي، رُبَّمَا لَا تُبْغِينِي الْمَرْأَةَ. فَقَالَ لِي، إِنَّ الرَّبَّ الَّذِي سِرْتُ أَمَامَهُ يُرْسِلُ مَلَكَهُ مَعَكَ وَتُخَيِّجُ طَرِيقَكَ، فَتَأْخُذُ زَوْجَةً لِيَابِي مِنْ عَشِيرَتِي وَمِنْ بَيْتِ أَبِي.³⁹ حِينَئِذٍ تَبْرَأُ مِنْ خَلْفِي حَيْثَمَا تَجِيءُ إِلَى عَشِيرَتِي. وَإِنْ لَمْ يُعْطَوْكَ فَتَكُونُ بَرِيئًا مِنْ خَلْفِي.⁴⁰ فَجِئْتُ الْيَوْمَ إِلَى الْعَيْنِ، وَقُلْتُ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهَ سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ، إِنْ كُنْتُ تُخَيِّجُ طَرِيقِي الَّذِي أَتَا سَائِلًا فِيهِ،⁴¹ فَهِيَ أَتَا وَاقِفٌ عَلَى عَيْنِ الْمَاءِ، وَلْيَكُنْ أَنَّ الْقَتَاةَ الَّتِي تَخْرُجُ لِنَسْتَقِي وَأَقُولُ لَهَا، اسْقِينِي قَلِيلَ مَاءٍ مِنْ جَرَّتِكَ⁴² فَتَقُولَ لِي، اشْرَبْ أَنْتَ، وَأَنَا أَسْتَقِي لِيَجْمَلِكَ أَيْضًا، هِيَ الْمَرْأَةُ الَّتِي عَثَبَهَا الرَّبُّ لِيَابِي سَيِّدِي.⁴³ وَإِذْ كُنْتُ أَتَا لَمْ أَفْرَعْ بَعْدُ مِنَ الْكَلَامِ فِي قَلْبِي، إِذَا رِفْقَةُ خَارِجَةٌ وَجَرَّتُهَا عَلَى كَيْفِهَا، فَتَرَلْتُ إِلَى الْعَيْنِ

the evening, even the time that women go out to draw water .¹² And he said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this day, and shew kindness unto my master Abraham.¹³ Behold, I stand here by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:¹⁴ And let it come to pass, that the damsel to whom I shall say, Let down thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and she shall say, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be she that thou hast appointed for thy servant Isaac; and thereby shall I know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master.¹⁵ And it came to pass, before he had done speaking, that, behold, Rebekah came out, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.¹⁶ And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a virgin, neither had any man known her: and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.¹⁷ And the servant ran to meet her, and said, Let me, I pray thee, drink a little water of thy pitcher.¹⁸ And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.¹⁹ And when she had done giving him drink, she said, I will draw water for thy camels also, until they have done drinking.²⁰ And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw water , and drew for all his camels.²¹ And the man wondering at her held his peace, to wit whether the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.²² And it came to pass, as

وَاسْتَقَت. فَقُلْتُ لَهَا، اسْقِينِي.⁴⁶ فَأَسْرَعَتْ وَأَنْزَلَتْ جَرَّتَهَا عَنْهَا وَقَالَتْ، اشْرَبْ وَأَنَا أَسْقِي جِمَالَكَ أَيْضًا. فَسَرَبْتُ، وَسَقَتِ الْجِمَالَ أَيْضًا.⁴⁷ فَسَأَلْتُهَا، بِنْتُ مَنْ أَنْتِ. فَقَالَتْ، بِنْتُ بَثْوَيْلَ بْنِ تَاخُورَ الَّذِي وَلَدَتْهُ لَهُ مَلَكَةٌ. فَوَضَعْتُ الْجَرَامَةَ فِي أَنْفِهَا وَالسَّوَارِينَ عَلَى يَدَيْهَا.⁴⁸ وَخَرَرْتُ وَسَجَدْتُ لِلرَّبِّ، وَبَارَكْتُ الرَّبَّ إِلَهَ سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ الَّذِي هَدَانِي فِي طَرِيقِ أَمِينٍ لَأَخَذَ ابْنَةً أَحَبِّي سَيِّدِي لِابْنِهِ.⁴⁹ وَالْآنَ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تَصْنَعُونَ مَعْرُوفًا وَأَمَانَةً إِلَى سَيِّدِي فَأَخْبِرُونِي، وَإِلَّا فَأَخْبِرُونِي لَأُصْرِفَ يَمِينًا أَوْ شِمَالًا.⁵⁰ فَأَجَابَ لَبَانُ وَثَوَيْلُ، مِنْ عِنْدِ الرَّبِّ حَرَجَ الْأَمْرِ. لَا تَعْدِرْ أَنْ تُكَلِّمَ بَشَرًا أَوْ حَبِيرًا. هُوَذَا رِفْقَةُ قُدَامَكَ. خُذْهَا وَادْهَبْ. فَلَتَكُنْ زَوْجَةً لِابْنِ سَيِّدِكَ كَمَا تَكَلَّمَ الرَّبُّ.⁵² وَكَانَ عِنْدَمَا سَمِعَ عَبْدُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ كَلَامَهُمْ أَنَّهُ سَجَدَ لِلرَّبِّ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ.⁵³ وَأَخْرَجَ الْعَبْدُ ابْنَةً فَضِيَّةً وَابْنَةً دَهَبٍ وَتَيَابًا وَأَعْطَاهَا لِرِفْقَةَ، وَأَعْطَى نَحْفًا لِأُخِيهَا وَلَامُهَا.⁵⁴ فَكَلَّ وَشَرِبَ هُوَ وَالرَّجَالُ الَّذِينَ مَعَهُ وَتَابُوا. ثُمَّ قَامُوا صَبَاحًا فَقَالَ، اصْرُفُونِي إِلَى سَيِّدِي.⁵⁵ فَقَالَ أُخُوها وَأُمُّهَا، لَتَمُكُنَّ الْقَنَاءَ عِنْدَنَا أَيَّامًا أَوْ عَشْرَةً، بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ تَمُضِي. فَقَالَ لَهُمْ، لَا تُعَوِّفُونِي وَالرَّبُّ قَدْ أُنْجَحَ طَرِيقِي. اصْرُفُونِي لَأَدْهَبَ إِلَى سَيِّدِي.⁵⁷ فَقَالُوا، تَدْعُو الْقَنَاءَ وَتَسْأَلُهَا شِفَاهَا.⁵⁸ فَدَعَوْا رِفْقَةَ وَقَالُوا لَهَا، هَلْ بَدَّهَيْنَ مَعَ هَذَا الرَّجُلِ. فَقَالَتْ، أَذْهَبُ.⁵⁹ فَصَرَفُوا رِفْقَةَ أَحْتَهُمْ وَمُرْضِعَتَهَا وَعَبْدُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَرَجَالَهُ.⁶⁰ وَبَارَكُوا رِفْقَةَ وَقَالُوا لَهَا، أَنْتِ أَحْسَنُ. صِيرِي أَلُوفَ رَيَّاتٍ، وَلِيَرْتَّ تَسْلُكُ بَابِ مُبْغِضِيهِ.⁶¹ فَقَامَتْ رِفْقَةُ وَقَبَائِلُهَا وَرَكِبْنَ عَلَى الْجِمَالِ وَتَبِعْنَ الرَّجُلَ. فَأَخَذَ الْعَبْدُ رِفْقَةَ وَمَصَى.⁶² وَكَانَ إِسْحَاقُ قَدْ أَتَى مِنْ وَرُودِ بئرِ لَحْيِ زَيْبٍ إِذْ كَانَ سَاكِنًا فِي أَرْضِ الْجَنُوبِ.⁶³ وَخَرَجَ إِسْحَاقُ لِيَتَأَمَّلَ فِي الْحَقْلِ عِنْدَ إِفْتَالِ الْمَسَاءِ، فَزَفَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ وَنَظَرَ وَإِذَا جِمَالُ مُقْبِلَةٍ.⁶⁴ وَزَفَعَتْ رِفْقَةُ عَيْنَيْهَا فَرَأَتْ إِسْحَاقَ فَتَرَلَّتْ عَيْنُ الْجَمَلِ.⁶⁵ وَقَالَتْ لِلْعَبْدِ، مَنْ هَذَا الرَّجُلُ الْمَاشِي فِي الْحَقْلِ لِلْقَائِنَا. فَقَالَ الْعَبْدُ، هُوَ سَيِّدِي. فَأَخَذَتْ التَّرْفُعَ وَتَعَطَّتْ.⁶⁶ ثُمَّ حَدَّتْ الْعَبْدُ إِسْحَاقَ بِكُلِّ الْأُمُورِ الَّتِي صَنَعَ، فَأَدْخَلَهَا إِسْحَاقُ إِلَى خَبَاءِ سَارَةِ أُمِّهِ، وَأَخَذَ رِفْقَةَ فَصَارَتْ لَهُ زَوْجَةً وَأَحَبَّهَا. فَتَعَرَّى إِسْحَاقُ بَعْدَ مَوْتِ أُمِّهِ.

the camels had done drinking, that the man took a golden earring of half a shekel weight, and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight of gold;²³ And said, Whose daughter art thou? tell me, I pray thee: is there room in thy father's house for us to lodge in?²⁴ And she said unto him, I am the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah, which she bare unto Nahor.²⁵ She said moreover unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in.²⁶ And the man bowed down his head, and worshipped the LORD.²⁷ And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of my master Abraham, who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I being in the way, the LORD led me to the house of my master's brethren.²⁸ And the damsel ran, and told them of her mother's house these things.²⁹ And Rebekah had a brother, and his name was Laban: and Laban ran out unto the man, unto the well.³⁰ And it came to pass, when he saw the earring and bracelets upon his sister's hands, and when he heard the words of Rebekah his sister, saying, Thus spake the man unto me; that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.³¹ And he said, Come in, thou blessed of the LORD; wherefore standest thou without? for I have prepared the house, and room for the camels.³² And the man came into the house: and he ungirded his camels, and gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet, and the men's feet that were with him.³³ And there was set meat before him to eat: but he said, I will not eat, until I have told mine errand. And he said,

Speak on.³⁴ And he said, I am Abraham's servant.³⁵ And the LORD hath blessed my master greatly; and he is become great: and he hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants, and camels, and asses.³⁶ And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath.³⁷ And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell:³⁸ But thou shalt go unto my father's house, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son.³⁹ And I said unto my master, Peradventure the woman will not follow me.⁴⁰ And he said unto me, The LORD, before whom I walk, will send his angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:⁴¹ Then shalt thou be clear from this my oath, when thou comest to my kindred; and if they give not thee one, thou shalt be clear from my oath.⁴² And I came this day unto the well, and said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, if now thou do prosper my way which I go:⁴³ Behold, I stand by the well of water; and it shall come to pass, that when the virgin cometh forth to draw water, and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink;⁴⁴ And she say to me, Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: let the same be the woman whom the LORD hath appointed out for my master's son.⁴⁵ And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder; and she went

down unto the well, and drew water : and I said unto her, Let me drink, I pray thee.⁴⁶ And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her shoulder , and said, Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also: so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.⁴⁷ And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter art thou? And she said, The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him: and I put the earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands.⁴⁸ And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham, which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son.⁴⁹ And now if ye will deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left.⁵⁰ Then Laban and Bethuel answered and said, The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot speak unto thee bad or good.⁵¹ Behold, Rebekah is before thee, take her , and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken.⁵² And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he worshipped the LORD, bowing himself to the earth.⁵³ And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment, and gave them to Rebekah: he gave also to her brother and to her mother precious things.⁵⁴ And they did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him, and tarried all night; and they rose up in the morning, and he said, Send me away unto my master.⁵⁵ And her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel abide with us a few days, at the

least ten; after that she shall go.⁵⁶ And he said unto them, Hinder me not, seeing the LORD hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.⁵⁷ And they said, We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth.⁵⁸ And they called Rebekah, and said unto her, Wilt thou go with this man? And she said, I will go.⁵⁹ And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.⁶⁰ And they blessed Rebekah, and said unto her, Thou art our sister, be thou the mother of thousands of millions, and let thy seed possess the gate of those which hate them.⁶¹ And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man: and the servant took Rebekah, and went his way.⁶² And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahairoi; for he dwelt in the south country.⁶³ And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide: and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and, behold, the camels were coming.⁶⁴ And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Isaac, she lighted off the camel.⁶⁵ For she had said unto the servant, What man is this that walketh in the field to meet us? And the servant had said, It is my master: therefore she took a vail, and covered herself.⁶⁶ And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.⁶⁷ And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death .