

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

¹وَسَاحَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ وَتَقَدَّمَ فِي الْآبَامِ. وَبَارَكَ الرَّبُّ إِبْرَاهِيمَ فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ.²وَقَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ لِعَبْدِهِ كَبِيرِ بَيْتِهِ الْمُسْتَوْلي عَلَى كُلِّ مَا كَانَ لَهُ، صَعَّ يَدَكَ تَحْتَ فَخْذِي، فَاسْتَخْلَقَكَ بِالرَّبِّ إِلَهِي السَّمَاءِ وَإِلَهِي الْأَرْضِ أَنْ لَا تَأْخُذَ زَوْجَةً لِبْنِي مِنْ بَنَاتِ الْكَتْنَانِيِّينَ الَّذِينَ أَنَا سَاكِنٌ بَيْنَهُمْ،³بَلْ إِلَى أَرْضِي وَإِلَى عَشِيرَتِي تَذْهَبُ وَتَأْخُذُ زَوْجَةً لِبْنِي إِسْحَاقَ.⁴قَالَ لَهُ الْعَبْدُ، رُبَّمَا لَا تَسَاءُ الْمَرْأَةُ أَنْ تَتَّبِعَنِي إِلَى هَذِهِ الْأَرْضِ. هَلْ أَرْجِعُ بِابْنِكَ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ الَّتِي خَرَجْتَ مِنْهَا.⁵قَالَ لَهُ إِبْرَاهِيمُ، اجْتَرِرْ مِنْ أَنْ تَرْجِعَ بِابْنِي إِلَى هُنَاكَ.⁶الرَّبُّ إِلَهِي السَّمَاءِ الَّذِي أَخَذَنِي مِنْ بَيْتِ أَبِي وَمِنْ أَرْضِ مِلَادِي، وَالَّذِي كَلَّمَنِي وَالَّذِي أَقْسَمَ لِي قَائِلًا، لِنَسْلِكَ أَعْطِي هَذِهِ الْأَرْضَ، هُوَ يُرْسِلُ مَلَكَهُ أَمَامَكَ، فَتَأْخُذُ زَوْجَةً لِبْنِي مِنْ هُنَاكَ.⁷وَأِنْ لَمْ تَسَاءِ الْمَرْأَةُ أَنْ تَتَّبِعَكَ، تَبَرَّأْتُ مِنْ خَلْفِي هَذَا. أَمَّا ابْنِي فَلَا تَرْجِعْ بِهِ إِلَى هُنَاكَ.⁸فَوَضَعَ الْعَبْدُ يَدَهُ تَحْتَ فَخْذِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ مَوْلَاهُ، وَخَلَعَ لَهُ عَلَى هَذَا الْأَمْرِ.⁹ثُمَّ أَخَذَ الْعَبْدُ عَشْرَةَ جِمَالٍ مِنْ جِمَالِ مَوْلَاهُ، وَمَضَى وَجَمِيعَ خَبَرَاتِ مَوْلَاهُ فِي يَدِهِ. فَقَامَ وَذَهَبَ إِلَى أَرَامِ النَّهْرَيْنِ إِلَى مَدِينَةِ تَاخُورَ.¹⁰وَأَتَاخَ الْجِمَالِ خَارِجَ الْمَدِينَةِ عِنْدَ بئرِ الْمَاءِ وَقَفَتِ الْمَسَاءُ، وَقَفَتِ خُرُوجَ الْمُسْتَقِيَّاتِ.¹¹وَقَالَ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهِي سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ، يَسِّرْ لِي الْيَوْمَ وَاصْنَعْ لُطْفًا إِلَى سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ.¹²هَا أَنَا وَقِفْتُ عَلَى عَيْنِ الْمَاءِ، وَبَنَاتُ أَهْلِ الْمَدِينَةِ خَارِجَاتٍ لِيَسْتَقِينَ مَاءً.¹³فَأَيْكُنْ أَنْ الْقَتَاةَ الَّتِي أَقُولُ لَهَا، أَمِيلِي جَرَّتِكَ لِأَشْرَبَ، فَتَقُولَ، أَشْرَبُ وَأَنَا أَسْقِي جِمَالَكَ أَيْضًا، هِيَ الَّتِي عَشَّيْتُهَا لِعَبْدِكَ إِسْحَاقَ. وَبِهَا أَعْلَمُ أَنَّكَ صَنَعْتَ لُطْفًا إِلَيَّ سَيِّدِي.¹⁴وَإِذَا كَانَ لَمْ يَقْرَعْ بَعْدَ مِنَ الْكَلَامِ، إِذَا رَفَعَهُ الَّتِي وُلِدَتْ لِتُؤْوِيلِ ابْنِ مَلِكَةٍ امْرَأَةٍ تَاخُورَ أَخِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ، خَارِجُهُ وَجَرَّتُهَا عَلَى كَيْفِهَا.¹⁵وَكَاثَتِ الْقَتَاةُ حَسَنَةَ الْمُنْطَرِ جِدًّا، وَعَذَرَاءُ لَمْ يَعْرِفْهَا رَجُلٌ. فَتَبَرَّكْتُ إِلَى الْعَيْنِ وَمَلَأْتُ جَرَّتَهَا وَطَلَعْتُ.¹⁶فَرَكَصَ الْعَبْدُ لِلْقَائِنِهَا وَقَالَ، أَسْقِيْنِي قَلِيلَ مَاءٍ مِنْ جَرَّتِكَ. فَقَالَتْ، أَشْرَبُ يَا سَيِّدِي. وَأَسْرَعْتُ وَأَتَرَلْتُ جَرَّتَهَا عَلَى يَدِهَا وَسَقَيْتُهُ.¹⁷وَلَمَّا قَرَعْتُ مِنْ سَقِيهِ قَالَتْ، أَسْقِي لِي جِمَالَكَ أَيْضًا حَتَّى تَقْرَعَ مِنَ الشَّرْبِ.¹⁸فَأَسْرَعْتُ وَأَقْرَعْتُ جَرَّتَهَا فِي الْمَسْقَاةِ، وَرَكَصْتُ أَيْضًا إِلَى الْبئرِ لِيَسْتَقِيَ. فَاسْتَقَتْ لِكُلِّ جِمَالِهِ.¹⁹وَالرَّجُلُ يَتَقَرَّسُ فِيهَا صَامِتًا لِيَعْلَمَ، هَلْ أَنْجَحَ الرَّبُّ طَرِيقَهُ أَمْ لَا.²⁰وَحَدَّتْ عِنْدَمَا قَرَعَتْ الْجِمَالُ مِنَ

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 hastened, 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 hastened, 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

الشُّرْبِ أَنَّ الرَّجُلَ أَحَدَ خِزَامَةِ دَهَبٍ وَزُنْهَا يَصْفُ شَاقِلِ وَسِوَارَيْنِ عَلَى يَدَيْهَا وَزُنْهُمَا عَشْرَةُ شَوَاقِلِ دَهَبٍ.²³ وَقَالَ، يَنْتُ مَنْ أَنْتِ. أُخْبِرِينِي. هَلْ فِي بَيْتِ أَبِيكَ مَكَانٌ لَنَا لِنَبْتَ. ²⁴ فَقَالَتْ لَهُ، أَنَا بِنْتُ بَثُؤِيلِ ابْنِ مِلْكَةَ الَّذِي وَلَدَتْهُ لِنَاحُورَ. ²⁵ وَقَالَتْ لَهُ، عِنْدَنَا يَتْنٌ وَعَلَفٌ كَثِيرٌ، وَمَكَانٌ لِنَبْتُوا أَيْضاً. ²⁶ فَخَرَّ الرَّجُلُ وَسَجَدَ لِلرَّبِّ، ²⁷ وَقَالَ، مُبَارَكُ الرَّبِّ إِلَهَ سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ الَّذِي لَمْ يَمْنَعْ لَطْفَهُ وَحَقَّهُ عَنْ سَيِّدِي. إِذْ كُنْتُ أَنَا فِي الطَّرِيقِ هَذَا بِي الرَّبِّ إِلَى بَيْتِ إِخْوَةِ سَيِّدِي. ²⁸ فَكَرَّصَتِ الْقَتَاةُ وَأَخْبَرَتْ بَيْتَ أَهْلِهَا بِحَسَبِ هَذِهِ الْأُمُورِ. ²⁹ وَكَانَ لِرِفْقَةٍ أُخٌ اسْمُهُ لَبَّانُ. فَكَرَّصَ لَبَّانُ إِلَى الرَّجُلِ خَارِجاً إِلَى الْعَيْنِ. ³⁰ وَخَذَتْ أَنَّهُ إِذْ رَأَى الْخِزَامَةَ وَالسِّوَارَيْنِ عَلَى يَدَيْ أَخِيهِ، وَإِذْ سَمِعَ كَلَامَ رِفْقَةَ أَخِيهِ قَائِلَةً، هَكَذَا كَلَّمَنِي الرَّجُلُ جَاءَ إِلَى الرَّجُلِ، وَإِذَا هُوَ وَاقِفٌ عِنْدَ الْجِمَالِ عَلَى الْعَيْنِ. ³¹ فَقَالَ، ادْخُلْ يَا مُبَارَكُ الرَّبِّ. لِمَاذَا تَقِفُ خَارِجاً وَأَنَا قَدْ هَيَّأْتُ الْبَيْتَ وَمَكَاناً لِلْجِمَالِ. ³² فَدَخَلَ الرَّجُلُ إِلَى الْبَيْتِ وَخَلَّ عَنْ الْجِمَالِ. فَأَعْطَى نَبْئاً وَعَلَفاً لِلْجِمَالِ، وَمَاءً لِيَهْسِلَ رِجْلَيْهِ وَأَرْجُلِ الرَّجَالِ الَّذِينَ مَعَهُ. ³³ وَوَضَعَ قُدَّامَهُ لِيَأْكُلَ. فَقَالَ، لَا أَكُلُ حَتَّى أَتَكَلَّمَ كَلَامِي. فَقَالَ، تَكَلَّمْ. ³⁴ فَقَالَ، أَنَا عَبْدُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ. وَالرَّبُّ قَدْ بَارَكَ مَوْلَايَ جِداً فَصَارَ عَظِيماً، وَأَعْطَاهُ غَنَماً وَبَقَراً وَفَصَّةً وَدَهَباً وَغَنِيماً وَجَمَلاً وَحَميراً. ³⁵ وَوَلَدْتُ سَارَةَ امْرَأَةً سَيِّدِي ابْنَةً لِسَيِّدِي بَعْدَ مَا شَاخَتْ، فَقَدْ أَعْطَاهُ كُلَّ مَا لَهُ. ³⁶ وَأَسْتَحْلِفُنِي سَيِّدِي قَائِلاً، لَا تَأْخُذْ زَوْجَةً لِي مِن بَنَاتِ الْكَنْعَانِيِّينَ الَّذِينَ أَنَا سَاكِنٌ فِي أَرْضِهِمْ، ³⁷ بَلْ إِلَى بَيْتِ أَبِي تَذْهَبُ وَإِلَى عَشِيرَتِي، وَتَأْخُذُ زَوْجَةً لِي. ³⁸ فَقُلْتُ لِسَيِّدِي، زَيْمًا لَا تَتَّبِعْنِي الْمَرْأَةُ. ³⁹ فَقَالَ لِي، إِنَّ الرَّبَّ الَّذِي سِرْتُ أَمَامَهُ يُرْسِلُ مَلَكَهُ مَعَكَ وَيُنْجِ طَرِيقَكَ، فَتَأْخُذُ زَوْجَةً لِي مِن عَشِيرَتِي وَمِنْ بَيْتِ أَبِي. ⁴⁰ جَبِينِزَ تَتَّبِعُ مِنْ خَلْفِي جَيْمًا تَجِيءُ إِلَى عَشِيرَتِي. وَإِنْ لَمْ يُعْطَوْكَ فَتَكُونُ بَرِيئاً مِنْ خَلْفِي. ⁴¹ فَجِئْتُ الْيَوْمَ إِلَى الْعَيْنِ، وَقُلْتُ، أَيُّهَا الرَّبُّ إِلَهَ سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ، إِنْ كُنْتُ تُنْجِ طَرِيقِي الَّذِي أَنَا سَائِلُ فِيهِ، ⁴² فَهِيَ أَنَا وَاقِفٌ عَلَى عَيْنِ الْمَاءِ، وَلْيَكُنْ أَنَّ الْقَتَاةَ الَّتِي تَخْرُجُ لِنَسْتَقِي وَأَقُولُ لَهَا، اسْقِينِي قَلِيلَ مَاءٍ مِنْ جَرَّتِكَ فَتَقُولَ لِي، اسْقِبْ أَنْتِ، وَأَنَا اسْقِي لِيَجْمَالُكَ أَيْضاً، هِيَ الْمَرْأَةُ الَّتِي عَبَّيْهَا الرَّبُّ لِي سَيِّدِي. ⁴³ وَإِذْ كُنْتُ أَنَا لَمْ أَفْرَغْ بَعْدَ مِنَ الْكَلَامِ فِي قَلْبِي، إِذَا رِفْقَةُ خَارِجَةٌ وَجَرَّتُهَا عَلَى كَيْفِهَا، فَتَرَلْتُ إِلَى الْعَيْنِ

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,

وَاسْتَقْتُ. فَقُلْتُ لَهَا، اسْقِينِي.⁴⁶ فَأَسْرَعَتْ وَأَثَرَلَتْ جَرَّتَهَا عَنْهَا وَقَالَتْ، اشْرَبْ وَأَنَا اسْقِي جِمَالَكَ أَيْضًا. فَشَرِبْتُ، وَسَقَيْتُ الْجِمَالَ أَيْضًا.⁴⁷ فَيَسَّأَلُنَهَا، بِنْتُ مَنْ أَنْتِ. فَقَالَتْ، بِنْتُ بَثُوئِيلَ بْنِ تَاخُورَ الَّذِي وَلَدَتْهُ لَهْ مِلْكَةً. فَوَضَعْتُ الْخَزَامَةَ فِي أَفْهَاهَا وَالسَّوَارِينَ عَلَى يَدَيْهَا.⁴⁸ وَحَرَرْتُ وَسَجَدْتُ لِلرَّبِّ، وَبَارَكْتُ الرَّبَّ إِلَهَ سَيِّدِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ الَّذِي هَدَانِي فِي طَرِيقِ أَمِينٍ لَأُخَذَ ابْنَةُ أَخِي سَيِّدِي لِابْنِهِ.⁴⁹ وَالْآنَ إِنْ كُنْتُمْ تَصْنَعُونَ مَعْرُوفًا وَأَمَانَةً إِلَى سَيِّدِي فَأَخْبِرُونِي، وَإِلَّا فَأَخْبِرُونِي لِأَنْصَرِفَ يَمِينًا أَوْ شِمَالًا.⁵⁰ فَاجَابَ لَابَانُ وَبَثُوئِيلُ، مِنْ عِنْدِ الرَّبِّ حَرَجَ الْأَمْرِ. لَا تَقْدِرُ أَنْ تُكَلِّمَكَ يَسَّرٌ أَوْ خَيْرٌ. هُوَذَا رِفْقَةُ قُدَّامَكَ. خُذْهَا وَاهْبُ. فَلَتَكُنْ زَوْجَةً لِابْنِ سَيِّدِكَ كَمَا تَكَلَّمَ الرَّبُّ.⁵² وَكَانَ عِنْدَمَا سَمِعَ عَبْدُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ كَلَامَهُمْ أَنَّهُ سَجَدَ لِلرَّبِّ إِلَى الْأَرْضِ.⁵³ وَأَخْرَجَ الْعَبْدُ ابْنَةَ فَصَّةٍ وَابْنَةَ دَهَبٍ وَتِيَابًا وَأَعْطَاهَا لِرِفْقَةَ، وَأَعْطَى ثُخْفًا لِأَخِيهَا وَلَأُمِّهَا. فَأَكَلَ وَشَرِبَ هُوَ وَالرَّجَالُ الَّذِينَ مَعَهُ وَبَاتُوا. ثُمَّ قَامُوا صَبَاحًا فَقَالَ، اضْرُفُونِي إِلَى سَيِّدِي.⁵⁵ فَقَالَ أُخُوها وَأُمُّهَا، لِيَمْكُثَ الْقَتَاةُ عِنْدَنَا أَيَّامًا أَوْ عَشْرَةً، بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ تَمْضِي. فَقَالَ لَهُمْ، لَا تَعُوقُونِي وَالرَّبُّ قَدْ أَنْجَحَ طَرِيقِي. اضْرُفُونِي لَأَذْهَبَ إِلَى سَيِّدِي. فَقَالُوا، نَدْعُو الْقَتَاةَ وَنَسْأَلُهَا شِفَاهَا.⁵⁸ فَدَعَا رِفْقَةُ وَقَالُوا لَهَا، هَلْ يَذْهَبِينَ مَعَ هَذَا الرَّجُلِ. فَقَالَتْ، أَذْهَبُ.⁵⁹ فَصَرَفُوا رِفْقَةَ أَخْتَهُمْ وَمُزْضِعَتَهَا وَعَبْدُ إِبْرَاهِيمَ وَرِجَالَهُ.⁶⁰ وَبَارَكُوا رِفْقَةَ وَقَالُوا لَهَا، أَنْتِ أَخْتُنَا. صِيرِي أَلُوفَ رِبَوَاتٍ، وَلْيَثِرْ تَسْلُكُ بَابِ مُبْغِضِيهِ.⁶¹ فَقَامَتْ رِفْقَةُ وَقَتَبَاتُهَا وَرَكِبْنَ عَلَى الْجِمَالِ وَتَبِعْنَ الرَّجُلَ. فَأَخَذَ الْعَبْدُ رِفْقَةَ وَمَضَى.⁶² وَكَانَ إِسْحَاقُ قَدْ أَتَى مِنْ زُورِدٍ يَنْزِلُ لَحْيَ رُفْيِ إِذْ كَانَ سَاكِنًا فِي أَرْضِ الْجَنُوبِ.⁶³ وَخَرَجَ إِسْحَاقُ لِيَتَأَمَّلَ فِي الْحَقْلِ عِنْدَ إِبْطَالِ الْمَسَاءِ، فَرَفَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ وَتَطَرَّ وَإِذَا جِمَالٌ مُقْبِلَةٌ.⁶⁴ وَرَفَعَتْ رِفْقَةُ عَيْنَيْهَا فَرَأَتْ إِسْحَاقَ فَتَرَلَتْ عَنِ الْجَمَلِ.⁶⁵ وَقَالَتْ لِلْعَبْدِ، مَنْ هَذَا الرَّجُلُ الْمَاشِي فِي الْحَقْلِ لِيَلْقَانَا. فَقَالَ الْعَبْدُ، هُوَ سَيِّدِي. فَأَخَذَتْ التَّرْفُعَ وَتَعَطَّطَتْ.⁶⁶ ثُمَّ حَدَّتِ الْعَبْدُ إِسْحَاقَ بِكُلِّ الْأُمُورِ الَّتِي صَنَعَ، فَأَدْخَلَهَا إِسْحَاقُ إِلَى جَبَاءِ سَارَةِ أُمِّهِ، وَأَخَذَ رِفْقَةَ فَصَارَتْ لَهُ زَوْجَةً وَأَحَبَّهَا. فَتَعَزَّى إِسْحَاقُ بَعْدَ مَوْتِ أُمِّهِ.

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 .