



“Glance Backward;
Go Forward; Gaze Upward”

Part Two

Genesis 16

Where Are You Going? (v. 8b)

Contemplating Your Future

The Greeks frequently consulted oracles to deliver the message of the gods concerning the future

God withholds information so we won't be overwhelmed by our knowledge of the future

However, as born-again believers, we can know what our eternal future holds—eternity in our Father's house (John 14:2-4)

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We don't know what tomorrow holds, but we know that God holds tomorrow; we don't know what the future holds, but we know that God holds the future

"Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God" –Corrie ten Boom

Four Principles That You Can Expect in 2020(vv. 9-14)

1. You can expect that God will be with you

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He hears (v. 11)

He sees (v. 13)

He is present (v. 10)

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There is nothing you will experience in 2020 that
God doesn't hear or see

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2. You can expect God will be honest and plainspoken with you
3. You can expect that God will command you
4. You can expect that God will bless you

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The Lord promised that He would "multiply Hagar's descendants exceedingly" (v. 10)

God will bless you "exceedingly abundantly"
(Ephesians 3:20)

Point to Ponder-Conclusion

Identify your past, contemplate your future,
and have faith that God will be with you

God is good, all the time;
all the time, God is good