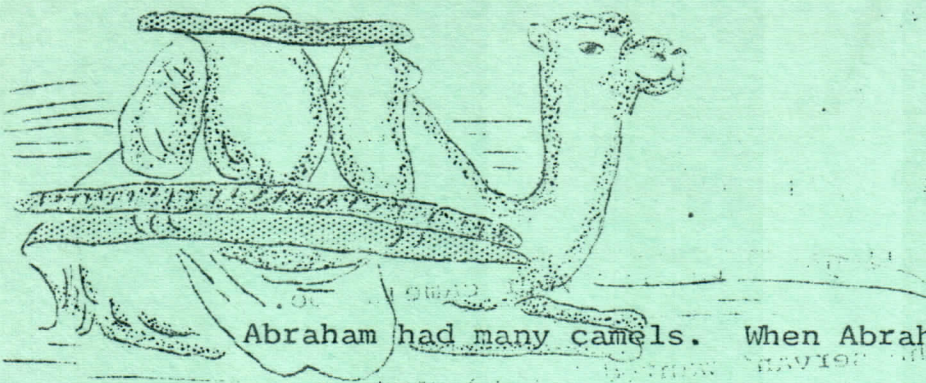


# CAMEL - THE CAMEL WHO HELPED GET A BRIDE



Abraham had many camels. When Abraham was very old, one day he asked his servant to go to look for a wife for Isaac. The servant took ten camels with him on the journey. He loaded gifts on each camel. Then he rode away. He knew this was a very important job. It was important that Isaac have a good wife.

This was a long trip. At last the servant arrived. He found a well in a field. He made the camel kneel down by the well. The servant sat down to wait. He prayed, like this -

O God, here I stand by this well.

Soon girls will come to get water

for their families. Show me the

girl that is to be Isaac's wife.

I will ask one of them for a drink.

Maybe the girl will answer 'I will

give your camels water too.' If

she answers this way, I pray that

this will be the girl you have

chosen to be Isaac's bride.

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Soon Rebekah came to the well. She had a pitcher on her shoulder. She was a very beautiful girl. She walked down the steps into the well. She filled her pitcher with water. She walked back up the steps. Then the old servant decided to speak.

Please, may I have a little water from your pitcher?

Rebekah answered quickly -

Oh, yes. I will give you a drink.

Perhaps then she noticed his camels for she added -

I will get water for your camels too.

That was just what the servant wanted her to say! Rebekah went up and down the steps carrying water for 10 camels. She must have made many trips. The servant knew that this girl was not only beautiful. She was kind to animals. And she was strong. Rebekah would be a good wife for Isaac.

Of course the old servant talked to Rebekah's father. It was decided that Rebekah would marry Isaac. Rebekah rode on a camel to meet Isaac. Rebekah and Isaac were married.

(Genesis 24:2-20 and  
Genesis 24:63-64)