

MISTRESS, MISTRESSES

Sarai was the **mistress** of Hagar. (In other words, Hagar was her maid.)

- **Genesis 16:4:** "And he went in unto Hagar, and she conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her eyes."
- **Genesis 16:8:** "And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai."
- **Genesis 16:9:** "And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself under her hands."

The widow of Zarephath (who Elijah was staying with during the years of drought) was called the **mistress** of the house.

- **1 Kings 17:17:** "And it came to pass after these things, that the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that there was no breath left in him."

The little maid from Israel told her **mistress** that the prophet who was in Samaria (Elisha) could cure Naaman of his leprosy.

- **2 Kings 5:3:** "And she said unto her mistress, Would God my lord were with the prophet that is in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy."

The psalmist said that we should look to God the way that maids look to their **mistress**.

- **Psalm 123:2:** "Behold, as the eyes of servants look unto the hand of their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress; so our eyes wait upon the LORD our God, until that he have mercy upon us."

When God destroys the world, the **mistresses** (the people who maids serve) will suffer along with everyone else.

- **Isaiah 24:2:** "And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him."

God called Nineveh the **mistress** of witchcraft.

- **Nahum 3:4:** "Because of the multitude of the whoredoms of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms, and families through her witchcrafts."