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RE- FLECTING GOD

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Genesis 16:9-16

A small child eager to show-off her athletic prowess or newly learned skill will often repeat, "Mommy, watch! Mommy, watch!" Until Mommy answers, "I see you!" or "I'm watching," that child will continue to call out.

Hagar knew the feeling of invisibility all too well. She was running away when the angel asked her, "Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?" Does that question resonate? Where are you going anyway?

Perhaps Hagar flaunted her pregnancy before Sarai, but chances are, as a slave, most people did not take note of her. However, God saw Hagar and she felt seen by this God?he saw her needs and he knew her.

Do we feel seen by God? Does he see the struggle with depression? With bone-crushing anxiety? Hagar was at, possibly, the lowest point in her life and only then could she say, "I have now seen the One who sees me" (emphasis added). Only after she stopped running away could she realize that she had been seen by God and he would fulfill his promise.

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