

## Small Group Discussion Guide

### *Conflict in the Home*

#### **Icebreaker:**

- When you were a kid, what's something you did that got you into big trouble?

#### **Read: Genesis 16:1-16**

1. What do you think drove Sarai to this course of action?

*a) she was tired of waiting b) her longing for a child c) lack of faith d) God – he had the whole thing planned e) other*

2. Why did the plan backfire?

*a) Sarai got jealous b) Hagar got cocky c) Hagar felt used d) Abram didn't have the will to make it work e) the plan went against God's will*

3. What do you think was the root of the problem between Sarai and Hagar?

4. Why did the Lord give Hagar direction, hope and promise?

5. How would you describe the communication between Sarai and Abram?

*a) What communication? b) Abram always got in the last word: "Yes, dear." c) they accepted each other's words too quickly, without any discussion d) they both spoke and acted before thinking things through*

6. What do you feel is the central lesson of this passage?

*a) you can't rush God b) if God has promised you something, be patient c) resist the urge to fulfill God's will on your own d) other*

7. What is something you are currently waiting for?

8. How can this group support you in prayer?