

BY FAITH

SEEING THE UNSEEN

Laugh Again

Genesis 18:1-15 & 21:1-7

After reading the passage together, discuss the following questions:

1. In v.14 God asks Sarah: "Is anything too hard for the Lord?" Do you live in the confidence that "nothing is impossible with God"? Please explain.
2. As you think your way into Sarah's experience, what are some of the things that might have caused her to become cynical about the possibility that God would fulfill his promise? What are some of the things that cause us to become cynical about God fulfilling his promises to us?
3. Has anything ever happened to leave you "wounded" in your confidence in God's ability or willingness to do big and surprising things in your life? Please share.
4. The passage shows us that God does do powerful things in people's lives. Share an instance of God doing something big and startling--whether in your life or in the life of someone you know.
5. God was eager to partner with Abraham and Sarah in accomplishing his purposes for the world. Why are our faith and prayers so important to God?
6. How do you respond to these words of Jesus: "Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." (Matthew 17:20)
7. Is there something pretty big in your life you are looking to God for? What miracle would you ask of him if you had the faith that he would do it?

Take time to pray for one another keeping in mind what was shared..