

**“THE WALK OF FAITH”**

**“THE PROMISE OF GOD AND THE PATH OF THE PATRIARCHS”**

*Part 2 of the Book of Genesis (Chapters 12-50)*

**PART 35**

**“A SIMPLE ACT OF HOSPITALITY – A STRONG ASSURANCE OF HOPE.”**

*“God’s Reassuring Word for the Weak in Faith”*

*(Genesis 18:1-15)*

**INTRODUCTION:**

**1A. ENTERTAINING ROYALTY:**

**A SIMPLE ACT OF HOSPITALITY BECOMES A STRONG ASSURANCE OF HOPE.**

*“Let love of the brethren continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.”*

—Hebrews 11:1, 2

1B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Unexpected Guests (18:1-8)

*“...if now I have found favor in Your sight, please do not pass Your servant by.”*

—Genesis 18:2-3

1C. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Unexpected Guests (v. 1, 2a)

*“Now **the LORD appeared to him** by the oaks of Mamre, while he was sitting at the tent door in the heat of the day. When he lifted up his eyes and looked, behold, **three men were standing opposite him...**”*

2C. The \_\_\_\_\_ shown the Unexpected Guests (v. 2b-8)

*“...he **ran** from the tent door to meet them and **bowed himself** to the earth, ...Abraham **hurried** into the tent to Sarah, and said, ‘**Quickly**, prepare...’ Abraham also **ran** to the herd, and took a tender and choice calf and gave it to the servant, and **he hurried to prepare it...**”*

2B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Unexpected Guests (18:9)

*“Where is Sarah?”*

—Genesis 18:9a

3B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Unexpected Guests (18:10-15)

*“I will surely return to you at this time next year; and behold, Sarah your wife will have a son.”*

—Genesis 18:10a

## 2A. GOD'S REASSURING WORD FOR THE WEAK IN FAITH: WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT WHEN GOD IS YOUR FRIEND

*"Without becoming weak in faith he contemplated his own body, now as good as dead since he was about a hundred years old, and the deadness of Sarah's womb."*

—Romans 4:19

*"By faith even Sarah herself received ability to conceive, even beyond the proper time of life, since she considered Him faithful who had promised."*

—Hebrews 11:11

1B. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ her unbelief. (v. 11, 12)

*"And Sarah was listening at the tent door, which was behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; Sarah was past childbearing. Sarah laughed to herself, saying, 'After I have become old, shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?'"*

2B. Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ her unbelief. (v. 15a)

*"Sarah denied it however, saying, 'I did not laugh'; for she was afraid."*

3B. God \_\_\_\_\_ her unbelief. (v. 15b)

*"And He said, 'No, but you did laugh.'"*

4B. God \_\_\_\_\_ her unbelief. (v. 13)

*"And the LORD said to Abraham, 'Why did Sarah laugh, saying, "Shall I indeed bear a child, when I am so old?"'"*

5B. God \_\_\_\_\_ her unbelief. (v. 14)

*"Is anything too difficult for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, at this time next year, and Sarah will have a son."*

## 3A. HOW FAITH IS REBORN, RESTORED & REVIVED:

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• God's \_\_\_\_\_ for your \_\_\_\_\_ will be \_\_\_\_\_ Him.