

Promised laughter to those waiting

For the week of June 23 – 29

Big Question for the week: What vital aspect of Christian life or trust do we discover in this 'kids story'?

Day 1: Genesis 12:1 – 9

Four questions to ponder:

Put yourself in Abram's place: would you leave everything you know? What would need to bring such a move?

For what must Abram and Sarai *wait* in this text?

How does God promise to be actively involved?

Day 2: Genesis 15:1 – 21

Three questions to ponder:

For what must Abram and Sarai *wait* in this text?

How is the waiting different than in the previous text?

What makes God's promises different (or the same) in this passage?

Day 3: Genesis 17:1 – 27

Three questions to ponder:

What changes about how God relates to Abraham in this text (or what has remained the same)?

For what must Abraham and Sarah *wait* in this text?

How do we sense Abraham's attitude toward waiting?

Day 4: Genesis 18:1 – 15, 20:1 – 7

Four questions to ponder:

For what are Abraham and Sarah still *waiting* in this text?

What have they attempted in the waiting?

How would you categorize Abraham and Sarah's faith at this point? How does God respond to them?

Day 5: Genesis 22:1 – 19

Three questions to ponder:

Put yourself in Abraham's place: would you complete this test? What would you need to follow through?

How is God actively involved in this chapter?

Prayer: we might find greater hope and trust in the LORD God.