

Heart & Home
On the Journey with Abraham
Lesson 6

READ Genesis 17:15 through Genesis 18:1-15

1. From Genesis 17:15-16, what do you see that shows God is now bringing Sarah into the covenant? List the similarities you see in these 2 verses, with the conversation God had with Abram earlier in chapter 17.

2. In Genesis 17:18, Abraham seems resistant to obtaining another son. Discuss some possible reasons for this.

3. God told Abraham that his second son would be named Isaac. Look in your footnotes to see what Isaac means. Why do you think God chose that name for the promised son?

4. Keeping in mind that there has been no break in the conversation from last week's study in chapter 17, think about verses 23-27. How long did Abraham wait before employing the procedure of circumcision? What does this say about him?

5. Look at verse 27 of chapter 17, as well as verse 14 of that same chapter. What statement are the men of his household making by consenting to being circumcised?

READ Genesis 18:1-15

6. Verse one says the Lord appeared to Abraham. In verse 2, what did Abraham see? Who are the 3 men?

7. READ verse 6. Do the math and discuss in your group how much flour Abraham told Sarah to get. Compare that to v. 5 and Abraham's description of the amount of bread he was offering to the men. What word did he use?

8. Why do you think Abraham was in such a hurry?

9. Why do you think they asked where Sarah was? (v. 9).

10. Why did the Lord ask Abraham why Sarah laughed? Why didn't He ask Sarah?

11. See verse 15. What was Sarah afraid of?

12. Why do you think the conversation ended where it did in Genesis 18:15? How do you explain this seemingly confusing conversation?