

God's Almighty Humor

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Genesis 17:15-22

Many people think faith means never questioning or doubting God. However, God invites us to be real, because all genuine relationships require honesty.

In Genesis 17, God reminded Abraham that His covenant plan involves Sarah giving birth to a son. However, from Abraham's human perspective, this idea sounded absurd. How could a 90-year-old woman bear a child? Abraham questioned God's plan, His judgment, and even His ability. In fact, we're told Abraham fell on his face and laughed aloud (v. 17). God's response might be surprising. He didn't get angry, punish Abraham, or choose someone else. In fact, God actually showed His humor by telling Abraham to name the baby Isaac, which means "he laughs." In essence, God said to Abraham, "I know this sounds ridiculous, but sit back and you will see My power and faithfulness."

We too can be assured that God is faithful to fulfill His promises.

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