



FIRST LIGHT CHURCH

SMALL GROUP GUIDE

Date: 3/17/2024

Series: Genesis Study-Abram

Text: Genesis 18:1-21

BIG IDEA: God Comes To Me And Works In My Impossible

ICEBREAKER: What is one thing you would like to do this year that you have never done before?

CONTEXT: The Lord appeared to Abraham, this time in human form and was accompanied by two angels that appeared to be men. Abraham and Sarah showed them all great hospitality. God revealed to Sarah the same promise that she would bear a son, and she laughed. The Lord insisted that even her age isn't too hard for Him to overcome. Next the Lord revealed to Abraham that He would investigate the sins of Sodom and Gomorrah because the sin had become a grave issue, and the outcry against them was great.

PASSAGE: Have volunteers read Genesis 18:1-21.

DISCUSSION:

1. In what ways can you see that Abraham recognizes the Lord and the angels with Him? Do you think you would recognize God if you saw Him? Why?
2. Why did Sarah lie about laughing at what God said about her?
3. Has God ever revealed something to you or done something unexpectedly for you that you just couldn't believe? Share your story.
4. Why is it significant that Abraham and Sarah showed great hospitality to their "uninvited" guests?
5. Why do you suppose God was considering hiding, from Abraham, the destruction that was about to come to Sodom?
6. How does it feel to trust God in seemingly impossible situations?
7. Why does it seem like God needs to see for Himself what is going on in Sodom?

APPLICATION:

8. Is God revealing something to you for which you need to fully trust Him?
9. How does God reward us when we trust Him?

COMMUNITY CONNECTION:

In a world full of uncertainty, it is often difficult to look past our own understanding of things and to not fully rely on God's promises. In our humanity, we are unable to see what lies ahead, yet there is an eternal hope that we, as believers, have that which brings us joy during life's difficulties and uncertainties. Look for opportunities to share your joy with others. Share the hope you have with those whom you love and care for. A simple way to engage this week is to invite friends, co-workers, neighbors, and family members to join us for the Family HighLight night, Good Friday Experience, and Easter Sunday.

CARE AND PRAY:

- Pray for the opportunity to have a Gospel conversation with someone.
- Pray for our upcoming services over Good Friday and Easter and, also, for the upcoming Family HighLight.
- Ask God to forgive you for not believing His promises and for relying on your own understanding.