

**GENESIS 18**

## GENESIS 18:1

1 ¶ And the LORD appeared unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door in the heat of the day;

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2 And he lift up his eyes and looked, and, lo, three men stood by him: and when he saw *them*, he ran to meet them from the tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground,

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3 And said, My Lord, if now I have found favour in thy sight, pass not away, I pray thee, from thy servant:

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4 Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree:

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5 And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on: for therefore are ye come to your servant. And they said, So do, as thou hast said.

## GENESIS 18:6

6 And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah, and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead *it*, and make cakes upon the hearth.

## GENESIS 18:7

7 And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetcht a calf tender and good, and gave *it* unto a young man; and he hasted to dress it.

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8 And he took butter, and milk, and the calf which he had dressed, and set *it* before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat.

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9 ¶ And they said unto him, Where *is* Sarah thy wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent.

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10 And he said, I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and, lo,

Sarah thy wife shall have a son. And Sarah heard *it* in the tent door, which was behind him.

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11 Now Abraham and Sarah *were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.*

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12 Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?

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13 And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old?

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14 Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.

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15 Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh.

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16 ¶ And the men rose up from thence, and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring them on the way.

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17 And the LORD said, Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do;

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18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

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19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

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20 And the LORD said, Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous;

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21 I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.

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22 And the men turned their faces from thence, and went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood yet before the LORD.

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23 ¶ And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also destroy the righteous with the wicked?

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24 Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the city: wilt thou also destroy and not spare the place for the fifty righteous that *are* therein?

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25 That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

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26 And the LORD said, If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city, then I will spare all the place for their sakes.

## GENESIS 18:27

27 And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord, which *am but* dust and ashes:

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28 Peradventure there shall lack five of the fifty righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for *lack of* five? And he said, If I find there forty and five, I will not destroy *it*.

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29 And he spake unto him yet again, and said, Peradventure there shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do *it* for forty's sake.

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30 And he said *unto him*, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak: Peradventure there shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not do *it*, if I find thirty there.

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31 And he said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the Lord: Peradventure there shall be twenty found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for twenty's sake.

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32 And he said, Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak yet but this once: Peradventure ten shall be found there. And he said, I will not destroy *it* for ten's sake.

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33 And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.