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Recap of 8/10/08:

1. As He had done previously with Abraham, God now stretches Sarah's faith in announcing that at the age of 90 she would have a son.
2. Sarah's response of laughter brought God's rebuke and statement of His power, "Is anything too hard for the LORD?" (vs. 14). The repeated assertion of Scripture is that nothing is too hard or impossible with God (Luke 1:34-37); He can do all things, no plan of His can be thwarted (Job 42:2). Nothing is too hard for the God who by His power and hand made heaven and earth (Jeremiah 32:17).
3. We must believe, along with Sarah and Abraham, that God can do the impossible, that no matter what situation we face, however hopeless it seems, nothing is too hard for Him.
4. God revealed His plans to Abraham concerning Sodom and Gomorrah because of Abraham's influence over the nations, but especially because of his influence over his own household. It was his responsibility (as it is parental responsibility today) to teach them to live righteously and justly. What would happen to Sodom would be an example to them of that need.

"Let's Make a Deal"

Genesis 18:16-33

I. Responsibility vv. 16-22

II. Intercession vv. 23-33