

“Is anything too hard for the Lord?”

Genesis 17:15-18:15

Some thoughts on Sarah:

1. Sarah gets a NAME change.
2. Sarah is the BOOKEND surrounding the promise of ISAAC.
3. Sarah is almost always called, “Sarah, your WIFE.” (11:29; 12:5; 12:11; 12:17; 16:1; 17:15; 17:19; 17:9; 17:10; 20:2; 20:18; 23:19)
4. Sarah receives God’s communication almost entirely INDIRECTLY, except for one sentence: Genesis 18:15

Outline:

I. Sarah is PROMISED a son. (17:15-22)

- A. Sarai becomes SARAH.
- B. Abraham LAUGHED.
- C. No covenant for ISHMAEL.

II. Circumcision is MANDATORY. (17:22-22)

III. Abraham entertains ANGELS. (18:1-8)

*Hebrews 13:1

- A. Notice the DOORWAY. The place of birth and life.
- B. Abraham serves a FEAST.
*This is the only time in the OT when God eats on the earth.

IV. Sarah LAUGHS. (18:9-15)

- A. Sarah was not CONVINCED about God’s promise.
- B. God HEARS Sarah. (Psalm 139:1-7)