



CALVARY LIFE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

PASSAGE: Genesis 18 'No Laughing Matter'

THEME/S: Faith (and lack of faith), God's ability, God's justice, prayer and intercession

1. Who is the funniest person you know? And how would you describe your laugh?
(E.g. belly laugh, hearty laugh, chuckle, shriek, cackle, snort-laugh – fee free to demonstrate).

Read verses 1 – 15

2. Isaac's name means 'laughter'. What was the same and what was different in the way that Abraham and Sarah responded to the news of Isaac's birth? See 17:17 – 18 and 18:10 – 15.
3. What are some situations in your life or in the world today where we should take to heart God's words "*Is anything too hard for the LORD?*"

Read verses 16 – 33

4. What speaks to you, challenges you or raises questions in your mind from these verses?
5. What are some situations in your life or in the world today where we should take to heart the truth that 'the Judge of all the earth shall do right'?
6. Abraham interceded before God for the people of Sodom. What are some other great intercessions and prayers that we see in the Bible?
7. What lessons can we learn and put into practice in our prayer lives from the way in which Abraham interceded?

PRAY

Pray it through and pray it over! Tonight's passage and specific prayer needs.

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers"
(Acts 2:42)