

The **Big** Story Of The Bible

20: The Son Of Laughter (cont'd)

It was by faith that even Sarah was able to have a child, though she was barren and was too old. She believed that God would keep his promise. Hebrews 11:11 (NLT)

3 Remarkable Things:

1. That God Came To _____.

* "Where is Sarah, your wife?" the visitors asked. "She's inside the tent," Abraham replied. Then one of them said, "I will return to you about this time next year, and your wife, Sarah, will have a son!" Genesis 18:9 (NLT)

2. _____ God Came To Sarah.

* Sarah was listening to this conversation from the tent. Abraham and Sarah were both very old by this time, and Sarah was long past the age of having children. So she laughed silently to herself and said, "How could a worn-out woman like me enjoy such pleasure, especially when my husband is also so old?" Genesis 18:10-12 (NLT)

* Then the Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh? Why did she say, 'Can an old woman like me have a baby?' Is anything too hard for the Lord? I will return about this time next year, and Sarah will have a son." Sarah was afraid, so she denied it, saying, "I didn't laugh." But the Lord said, "No, you did laugh." Genesis 18:13-15 (NLT)

3. _____ God Came To Sarah.

* Then the Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh? Is anything too hard for the Lord?" Genesis 18:13 (NLT)

*** The Lord kept his word and did for Sarah exactly what he had promised. She became pregnant, and she gave birth to a son for Abraham in his old age. This happened at just the time God had said it would. And Abraham named their son Isaac... Abraham was 100 years old when Isaac was born. And Sarah declared, "God has brought me laughter. All who hear about this will laugh with me. Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse a baby? Yet I have given Abraham a son in his old age!" Genesis 21:1-7 (NLT)**

*** I told you these things so that you can have peace in me. In this world you will have trouble, but be brave! I have defeated the world. John 16:33 (NCV)**

*** "Don't be afraid, Mary," the angel told her, "for you have found favor with God! You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you will name him Jesus. He will be very great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David. And he will reign over Israel forever; his Kingdom will never end!" Luke 1:30-33 (NLT)**

*** Mary asked the angel, "But how can this happen? I am a virgin." The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby to be born will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God. Nothing is impossible for God!" Mary responded, "I am the Lord's servant. May everything you have said about me come true." And then the angel left her. Luke 1:34-38 (NLT)**

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