

## Where is Sarah?

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### **Genesis 18:1–15 NASB95**

Now the LORD appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, while he was sitting at the tent door in the heat of the day. When he lifted up his eyes and looked, behold, three men were standing opposite him; and when he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth, and said, "My Lord, if now I have found favor in Your sight, please do not pass Your servant by. "Please let a little water be brought and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree; and I will bring a piece of bread, that you may refresh yourselves; after that you may go on, since you have visited your servant." And they said, "So do, as you have said." So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Quickly, prepare three measures of fine flour, knead it and make bread cakes." Abraham also ran to the herd, and took a tender and choice calf and gave it to the servant, and he hurried to prepare it. He took curds and milk and the calf which he had prepared, and placed it before them; and he was standing by them under the tree as they ate. Then they said to him, "Where is Sarah your wife?" And he said, "There, in the tent." He said, "I will surely return to you at this time next year; and behold, Sarah your wife will have a son." And Sarah was listening at the tent door, which was behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; Sarah was past childbearing. Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have become old, shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?" And the LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh, saying, 'Shall I indeed bear a child, when I am so old?' "Is anything too difficult for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, at this time next year, and Sarah will have a son." Sarah denied it however, saying, "I did not laugh"; for she was afraid. And He said, "No, but you did laugh."

\* This is not trying to make a huge leap in connecting these two events, just noting the similarities between the two, knowing the judgment that follows. With Abraham and Sarah, it is the promise of a blessing with the perspective the judgment of Sodom. With Israel it was the promise blessing of freedom and wealth with the perspective of the ongoing and final judgment of Egypt. \*

#### **Exodus 12:8–11 NASB95**

'They shall eat the flesh that *same* night, roasted with fire, and they shall eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. 'Do not eat any of it raw or boiled at all with water, but rather roasted with fire, *both* its head and its legs along with its entrails. 'And you shall not leave any of it over until morning, but whatever is left of it until morning, you shall burn with fire. 'Now you shall eat it in this manner: *with* your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it in haste—it is the LORD'S Passover.

Curds - הַּמְאָהְ (ḥeˇm ʾā(h)): n.fem.;  $\equiv$  Str 2529; TWOT 672a—1. LN 5.1–5.22 curds, soured milk, leben, i.e., the malleable but relatively solid and thick protein rich part of coagulated milk, as a process food (Ge 18:8; Dt 32:14; Jdg 5:25; 2Sa 17:29; Isa 7:15, 22(2×)+); 2. LN 5.1–5.22 butter, i.e., a relatively solid milk product stirred or churned from cream, as a processed food (Pr 30:33+)

#### 1 Samuel 16:7 NASB95

But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for God *sees* not as man sees, for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

## **Psalm 7:9 NASB95**

O let the evil of the wicked come to an end, but establish the righteous; For the righteous God tries the hearts and minds.

#### **Psalm 38:9 NASB95**

Lord, all my desire is before You; And my sighing is not hidden from You.

#### **Psalm 44:21 NASB95**

Would not God find this out? For He knows the secrets of the heart.

# Hebrews 11:11 NASB95

By faith even Sarah herself received ability to conceive, even beyond the proper time of life, since she considered Him faithful who had promised.