

Why Are You Laughing? **(Parallel: Abraham's Future is Ours Series – Part VII)**

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1. What makes you laugh?

2. Read Proverbs 14:13. How does this verse describe laughter?

3. Pastor Steve described some laughter as an altered state of mind. Have you ever experienced this?

4. Can laughter leave you more vulnerable?

5. Read Gen. 17:15-17 and explain as best you can why Abraham laughed.

6. Read Gen. 18:1-8 and describe the situation. Is this a brief encounter?

7. What does Gen. 18:9-15 reveal about the various characters involved?

8. So, why did Sarah laugh?

9. What is the punch line to this entire episode?

10. How is the laughter in Gen. 21:1-3, 6-7 different from that seen in earlier chapters?

11. We end with a comparison of the two sons of Abraham, Ishmael and Isaac. How is their laughter different from each other? Which type describes your laughter?