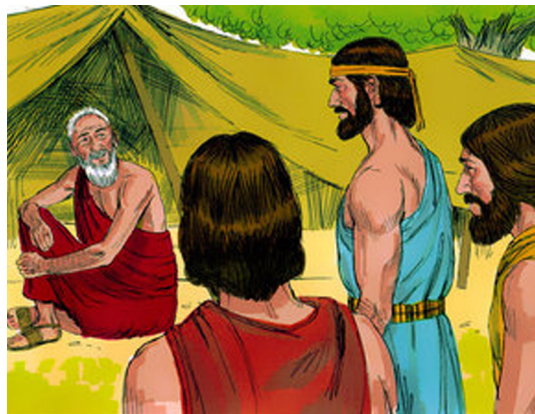
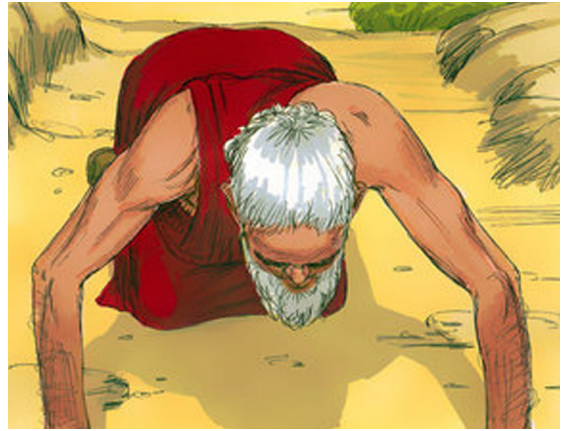


# HISTORICAL EVENTS IN THE BIBLE

## PROMISE OF CHILD TO ABRAHAM AND SARAH

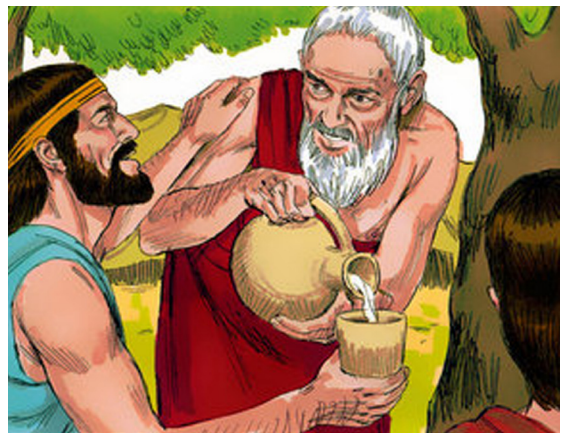
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Genesis 17:21-28; 18:1-15 And God said unto Abraham, As for Sarai, thy wife, thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah thou shalt call her name. And I will bless her, and I will give thee a son of her; yea, I will bless her, and she shall be blessed, the mother of nations; kings and people shall be of her. Then Abraham fell on his face, and rejoiced, and said in his heart, There shall a child be born unto him that is a hundred years old, and Sarah that is ninety years old shall bear. And Abraham said unto God, Oh, that Ishmael might live uprightly before thee! And God said, Sarah, thy wife, shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name Isaac; and I will establish my covenant with him also, for an everlasting covenant with his seed after him. And as for Ishmael, I have heard thee; behold, I have blessed

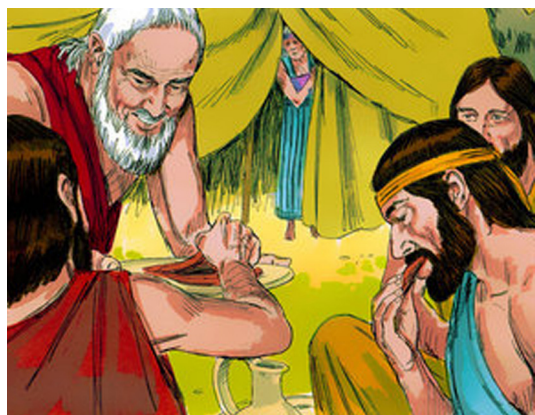


him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly; Twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation. But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, whom Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year. And the Lord appeared unto Abraham in the plains of Mamre. And he sat in his tent door in the heat of the day; And he lifted up his eyes and looked, and lo, three men stood by him; and when he saw, he ran to meet them from his tent door, and bowed himself toward the ground, and said,

My brethren, if now I have found favor in your sight, pass not away, I pray you, from thy servant. Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree; and I will fetch a morsel of bread and comfort ye your hearts; after that you shall pass on; for there-



fore are ye come to your servant. And they said,



So do as thou hast said. And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah and said, Make ready quickly three measures of fine meal, knead, and make cakes upon the hearth. And Abraham ran unto the herd, and fetched a calf, tender and good, and gave it unto a young man; and he hasted to dress it. And he took butter, and milk, and the calf, which he had dressed, and set them before them; and he stood by them under the tree, and they did eat. And they said unto him, Where is Sarah, thy wife? And he

said, Behold, in the tent. And one of them blessed Abraham, and he said, I will certainly return unto thee from my journey; and lo, according to the time of life, Sarah, thy wife, shall have a son. And Sarah heard him in the tent door. And now Abraham and Sarah



being old and stricken in age, therefore, it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women; Therefore, Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I have waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? And the angel of the Lord said unto Abraham,

Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old? Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the time appointed, behold, I will return unto thee from my journey, which the Lord hath sent me; and according to the time of life thou mayest know that Sarah shall have a son. Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay, but thou didst laugh.

