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REVIEW

- ✦ Abram was an idol worshipper, called by God.
- ✦ God tells Abram that he will make him the father of many nations and immeasurable descendants.
- ✦ After 11 years of waiting on this promise, Abram and Sarai decide to make the promise happen. (It doesn't go well)
- ✦ God pursues Hagar and tells her she will have a son and many descendants as well.
- ✦ Then God goes silent for 13 years.
- ✦ It has been 24 years since the initial promise.
- ✦ God then visits Abraham reminds him of the covenant and then visits and Sarah hears the covenant.

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1. THE DISCLOSURE

Genesis 18:16-19 (ESV)-Then the men set out from there, and they looked down toward Sodom. And Abraham went with them to set them on their way. The Lord said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?"

2. THE DISCUSSION

Genesis 18:22-33 (ESV)- So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, but Abraham still stood before the Lord. Then Abraham drew near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked?... Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it." And the Lord went his way, when he had finished speaking to Abraham, and Abraham returned to his place.

3. THE DEPRAVITY

Genesis 19:4-8 (ESV)-But before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, both young and old, all the people to the last man, surrounded the house. And they called to Lot, "Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us, that we may know them." Lot went out to the men at the entrance, shut the door after him, and said, "I beg you, my brothers, do not act so wickedly. Behold, I have two daughters who have not known any man. Let me bring them out to you, and do to them as you please. Only do nothing to these men, for they have come under the shelter of my roof."

Ways to know the state of our communities...

A. When good and bad are reversed

Genesis 19:2-3 (ESV)-They said, "No; we will spend the night in the town square." But he pressed them strongly; so they turned aside to him and entered his house.

B. When the Godly are not different

Genesis 19:7-8 (ESV)-and said, "I beg you, my brothers, do not act so wickedly. Behold, I have two daughters who have not known any man. Let me bring them out to you, and do to them as you please."

Here Is The Point: God is faithful in justice and judgement...