

"Welcoming HIS Presence"

Genesis 18:1-15

If you figure this out, it will change your life ... forever.

1. The whole passage is set up by the first verse, _____
_____ (It _____ everything) Do you?
2. Abraham's three guests probably were the _____, flanked
by _____. Gen. 19:1, Heb. 13:2 The title, "LORD," is used
_____ in this chapter. Five times, the title means, _____.
Ten times it is used by the Creator as HIS Own _____.
_____. An appearance of CHRIST in the O.T. is called a
_____.
3. **Abraham's response:** (your _____ is the always the KEY;
because GOD _____ to your response)
 - A. We want to always be _____ every day to watch for GOD. **V.2**
 - B. Abraham _____ to meet them. (Are you _____ to meet GOD?)
 - C. Abraham (a rich & _____ man) bowed himself to the ground to
One that commanded far greater _____. **V.2** (_____ is
always the correct posture in HIS Presence.)
 - D. He said, "My LORD, if I have found _____ in Your Sight;" **V.3**
- Favor is GOD's choice to _____, often through others. It is
not _____ to everyone, even to Christians. (few maybe) Isaiah 66:2
 - E. Abraham added, "Please do not _____."
HE actually passes people by, _____. James 4:8
 - F. _____ to the LORD first, he gave them _____ to drink,
and to wash with. Then Abraham gave them _____, and invited
them to _____ and be refreshed. **V.4-5**
 - G. He stated, "Since you have _____ your servant." **V.5**
 1. Are you GOD's _____? OR is HE _____ servant?
 2. Has it been a _____ since JESUS visited your home? Why?
Is HE never _____? Are you too _____ for HIS Presence?
Are you not _____ for HIS passing by? Do you _____ HIS
knock at the door? Rev. 3:20 Does CHRIST know that HE is
simply _____? OR is HE _____ by what's
happening in your home? Are you extremely close to HIM, or do
you see the LORD as a _____ close by?
 3. If you are too busy to _____ and host the HOLY ONE,
HE will be _____ to hang out with you. WHY?

... Because HE doesn't like to _____ any more than any of us do.

H. Abraham hurried off to the main tent, and said to Sarah, **V.6-8**

1. "Mama, get the _____ going." (bread cakes)
2. "Tell the staff to fire up the grill. We are having _____ for supper. And don't forget the _____"
3. "Plus tell Eliezer and Mordecai to start churning that home-made, almond-flavored _____, with pistachio nuts" (curds and milk)

I. And Abraham stood by (he didn't sit) and let them _____.

1. People of Prayer understand that they always are to _____ to the HOLY ONE, before they ever ask HIM to minister _____.
2. WHY? Who is the _____ one? You or HIM?

4. If you want the Creator, the KING of All Kings, the Ever-lasting Father to come by your place, what would _____ HIM to want to visit you?

Try offering these things:

Your _____	Your _____	Your _____
Your praise & worship	Your _____	Your thanksgiving
Your quick _____	Your blessing HIS _____	
Your intercession for others	Your _____	Your _____

5. Then came the Big Answer to the Big Prayer: V.9

- A. It had been _____, of seeing no answer to the Promise.
- B. WHY so long? (I _____) Possibly it was because prayer often is more about the work that GOD is _____, than the actual _____ itself. Rom. 5:3-5, Rom. 4:16
- C. The LORD said, "Where is the _____?" HE stated, "I will surely return this time _____, and Sarah will have a son"
- D. Sarah was _____ at the tent door ... At this time, everything was _____ **V.11** So Sarah burst out loud _____. The LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh?" **V.13**
- E. The Creator stated, "Is anything _____ for the LORD?"
- F. HE clarified, that it would happen, "when I return, at the _____ time, next year" **V.14**