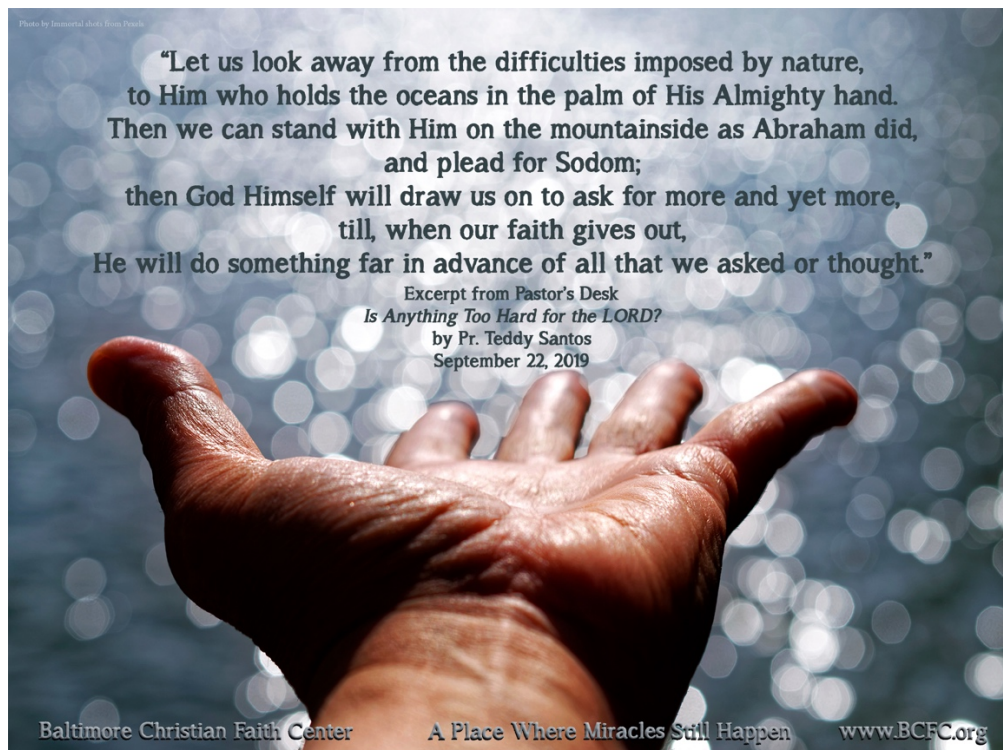


Is Anything Too Hard for the LORD?

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Genesis 18:14: *"Is anything too hard for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son."*

There is no doubt as to the identification of these three guests that suddenly appeared before the tent-door of Abraham. The Word of God clearly states it was the Lord - who had a firm agenda, both for Abraham and his wife. She laughed with disbelief of the promise He had made, but in essence; *is anything too hard for the Lord?*

God was working things out in Abraham's and Sarah's lives, and He had His schedule for bringing them to the point of development where He could use them the way He wanted to.

Is this unusual? No, it is not uncommon at all. We all operate according to time schedules; we all set priorities about things. A teacher has 180 days to get across that year's knowledge to the student for him to advance to the next grade. Teachers operate in a similar way to God.

God may have said to Himself, "It will take Me so long to bring Abraham and Sarah through a series of training programs until their faith, convictions, and character are to the point that I can use them. Then, at the appointed time, Sarah will have the child." After all, don't we see a similar situation with the children of Israel and their 40-year wilderness endeavour? Deu 8:2 *And you shall remember that the LORD your God led you all the way these forty years in the wilderness, to humble you and test you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not.*

Abraham and Sarah had to cooperate with this. They had to yield to God's way and to exercise the faith that they had. Let us look away from the difficulties imposed by nature, to Him who holds the oceans in the palm of His Almighty hand. Then we can stand with Him on the mountainside as Abraham did, and plead for Sodom; then God Himself will draw us on to ask for more and yet more, till, when our faith gives out, He will do something far in advance of all that we asked or thought.

At His service,
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