

Multiply

4 - Praying and Dreaming Big

Genesis 18:16-33

For Further Study . . .

1. What was most memorable, challenging, or encouraging from the message this week?
2. Read Genesis 18:17-22. Do you feel as though God sees everything that goes on? What are the things it seems like God turns a blind eye to?
3. Read Genesis 18:23-33. What if this was the way God operates—that for a few righteous people he would spare the rest? What if the presence of good—even a little good—causes God to show mercy and restraint on the unrighteous? What would be the implications of this?
4. Read 2 Peter 3:9. What is the reason for God's patience in holding back his judgment?
5. Read Genesis 19:1-26. God will not withhold his judgment forever. How does this make you feel?
6. What could God's purpose be for you where you are right now? How could you be a part of his desire that none should perish but all should come to repentance?

Moving Forward

What if when God looks at your family, company, neighborhood, team, or class and sees you, he thinks there is hope for your family, company, neighborhood, team, and class? What if when we think, "God, why don't you do something?" He thinks, "Why don't you do something? Why do you think I'm holding off? Why do you think I've placed you where you are?" Abraham understood that God had chosen him to be a channel of blessing and mercy to people far from him. Our role in the Kingdom is not that different.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 Peter 3:9