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MESSAGE NOTES - JULY 12th, 2026

(FATHER ABRAHAM pt. 8)

Faith isn't a straight line of perfect performance; it's a messy journey of relying entirely on God's grace.

Waiting changes people... It is how we live within "the wait" that matters.

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Genesis 21:1-2 Now the Lord was gracious to Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah what he had promised. 2 Sarah became pregnant and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the very time God had promised him.

God remembers His word when we have forgotten our ways.

Genesis 21:3-5 Abraham gave the name Isaac[a] to the son Sarah bore him. 4 When his son Isaac was eight days old, Abraham circumcised him, as God commanded him. 5 Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him.

Through submission, our holy, just God redeems our history through his grace.

Growing in holiness and grace isn't pretending you never messed up your name, it is allowing God to rename your mistakes so we can see them as His monuments of grace.

Genesis 21:6-7 Sarah said, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me." 7 And she added, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

What is an area of your life where you've been managing a "messy shortcut?"

Are your prayers filled with the sigh of "God, I have to fix this", or the expectant joy of "God, I can't wait to see how You handle this?"

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