



Grace Assembly Of God

## Chapter-By-Chapter Bible Reading Devotional

Scripture:	<b>Genesis 18</b>	Title:	<b>Mission Impossible?</b>
Author:	<b>Ps Alvin Lim</b>		
Summary of Chapter:	Abraham was about 99 years and Sarah was about 89 years old and yet the promise of a son through them was still unfulfilled after 25 years. God revealed Himself through three human guests and visited them to prophesy the birth of the child by the following year, but Sarah laughed in disbelief. When these three messengers also revealed their plans to destroy Sodom, Abraham interceded for God's mercy. God reveals Himself as a merciful God who does not destroy the righteous with the wicked.		
<b>Key Verses (NLT):</b>		<b>How does it speak to me?</b>	
<p><i><sup>13</sup>Then the LORD said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh? Why did she say, 'Can an old woman like me have a baby?'"</i></p> <p><i><sup>14</sup>Is anything too hard for the LORD? I will return about this time next year, and Sarah will have a son."</i></p>		<p>Many times, it seems that God takes a very long time to answer our prayers and we tend to give up after some time. There are times when God seems silent or deny our requests and we do not know why. From this chapter, I learnt that indeed nothing is impossible with God and what He promises will come to pass. When we intercede for others and pray to Him, it helps us to discover that God is a faithful and merciful God. Keep praying and believing to know God's loving character and heart for us.</p>	
<b>APPLICATION QUESTIONS:</b>			
<b>Adult:</b>	<p>What have you been praying to God for a long time and is tempted to give up?</p> <p>How can you persevere in intercession as you discover God's heart through prayer?</p>		
<b>Youth:</b>	Share a prayer request that you often make to the Lord but has not been fulfilled yet? How do you feel about it?		
<b>Child:</b>	What is your greatest wish? Can we pray to God together about it?		
<b>P R A Y E R :</b>			
<b>Praying Scripture:</b>	Dear heavenly Father, You are a faithful and merciful God who will always fulfil your promises. Help me to continue to have faith and pray to you as I wait upon you. Align my heart to your loving and merciful heart as I pray for others. I persevere to pray especially for my unsaved loved ones. I submit my will to yours especially in times of waiting or when you say no.		
<b>Thanksgiving Prayer:</b>	I/We thank you for _____ (e.g. delicious food they ate, places they went, prayer that is answered, etc)		
<b>Intercessory Prayer:</b>	I/We want to pray for _____ (e.g. healing of sickness, family members, work or study, leaders, nation, etc)		
<b>Salvation Prayer:</b>	I/We pray for the salvation of my/our unsaved loved ones _____ (can add one name per day). In Jesus Name I/we pray. Amen.		