

ABRAHAM & SARAH'S GUESTS

Genesis 18:1–8

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NOTES

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Suggested Questions for Individual Study or Group Discussion*



- When you have guests in your home, what do you do to help them to feel welcome?
- *Read Genesis 18:1–8.* How would you describe the scene when the LORD appears to Abraham? What might you have seen, heard, smelled, or felt if you were there?
- Why does Abraham approach the strangers standing near his home? Do you think Abraham knew it was the LORD who was visiting him? Why or why not?
- How does Abraham extend hospitality to his guests? How do his words and actions embody compassion?
- What does Abraham's compassionate hospitality cost him? What does he unexpectedly receive in return (see Gen. 18:9–15)?
- How does God through Christ Jesus extend hospitality to us? How have you received these expressions of God's compassion?
- *Hospitality* is "loving strangers as friends." How does our church show hospitality? How can we better help people feel welcomed and cared for?
- To whom might you show compassionate hospitality? How can you do that this week? How can your small group or others support and pray for you as you do this?

*Select or adapt questions to fit the needs and makeup of your group.