

The Right Kind of Laughter

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Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. 2 Peter 3:3

SCOFFER. The Greek word empaiktes means to treat as a child, to take lightly as though of no account, to refuse to take seriously.

Therefore, hear the word of the LORD, you scoffers who rule this people in Jerusalem. Isaiah 28:14

Then the word of the LORD came to him: "This man will not be your heir, but a son who is your own flesh and blood will be your heir." He took him outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars—if indeed you can count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your offspring be." Genesis 15:4-5

When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to him and said, "I am God Almighty; walk before me faithfully and be blameless". Genesis 17:1

No longer will you be called Abram; your name will be Abraham, for I have made you a father of many nations. Genesis 17:5

God also said to Abraham, "As for Sarai your wife, you are no longer to call her Sarai; her name will be Sarah. I will bless her and will surely give you a son by her. I will bless her so that she will be the mother of nations; kings of peoples will come from her." Genesis 17:15-16

Abraham fell facedown; he laughed and said to himself, "Will a son be born to a man a hundred years old? Will Sarah bear a child at the age of ninety?" And Abraham said to God, "If only Ishmael might live under your blessing!" Genesis 17:17-18

Then God said, "Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him Isaac." Genesis 17:19

Then one of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son."

Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. Abraham and Sarah were already very old, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, "After I am worn out and my lord is old, will I now have this pleasure?" Genesis 18:10-12

Sarah was afraid, so she lied and said, "I did not laugh." But he said, "Yes, you did laugh." Genesis 18:15

Sarah said, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me." 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." Genesis 21:6-7

Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. Ephesians 5:4

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. Ephesians 4:29

So God created mankind in his own image... Genesis 1:27

A time to weep and a time to laugh... Ecclesiastes 3:4

"Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy. Then it was said among the nations, 'The Lord has done great things for them." Psalm 126:2