

Joy of a promise fulfilled

Genesis 21:1-7

The Lord kept his word and did for Sarah exactly what he had promised. She became pregnant, and she gave birth to a son for Abraham in his old age. This happened at just the time God had said it would. And Abraham named their son Isaac.

Genesis 21:1-3

And Sarah said, "God has made laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh over me." And she said, "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

*Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for "The righteous shall live by faith."
*Galatians 3:11**

*For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law.
*Galatians 3:21**

*For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave woman and the other by the free woman. His son by the slave woman **was born in the ordinary way**, but his son by the free woman was **born as the result of a promise**.*

Galatians 4:22-23 [NIV]

*Now you, brothers, like Isaac, are **children of promise**.*

Galatians 4:28

Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"— so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might **receive the promised Spirit through faith**.

Galatians 3:13-14

*For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.
Galatians 5:1*