



## There Is An Answer to Your Question

*Genesis 18:25*

*Sermon Notes*

*Genesis, Grace, and Glory Series*

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### 1. Questioning God

- Have you ever questioned God?
- Abraham, who is called a “friend of God,” had a question for God. Shall the Judge of all the earth do what is just (right)?
- God had an answer for Abraham and has one for us.

### 2. The Question (Reference Scriptures: Romans 1:19)

- Abraham had discovered that God was about to render a judgment on the ancient cities of Sodom and Gomorrah.
- His question for God was essentially, “Will that be the right thing to do?”
- **God is always showing you who He is, even when you can't see it.**
- Moments of “silence” from God could actually be times of revelation as well.

### 3. Get Closer (Reference Scriptures: Isaiah 55:9)

- The relationship between God and Abraham was so close that God decided to reveal Himself and His plan to Abraham.
- **The closer you walk with God, the more you see of God.**
- Times of questioning are invitations for your to get closer through study, prayer, and fasting.
- **God's way is a way of righteousness and justice — always!**
- God's ways and thoughts are higher than ours.
- **If God answered every question you had about Him, could you even handle the answer?**

### 4. Understand the Real Problem (Reference Scriptures: Ezekiel 16:49; 2 Peter 3:9)

- God heard an outcry coming out of Sodom and Gomorrah.

- The problem within these cities stemmed from self-centered violence.
- The justice of God must deal with the injustice of sin.
- We question God's actions at times, but He may be answering prayers of which we might be unaware.
- Instead of questioning God, we should assume that His ways are right and good.
- **Some of our questioning of God is the result of not knowing the whole story.**
- The "coming down" of God was His grace in action.
- **God "taking His time" doesn't mean that He doesn't care; it means just the opposite. He does care.**

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**5. Let Go (Reference Scriptures: Isaiah 64:6; Ecclesiastes 7:20; Psalm 14:2-3; Romans 3:10-11)**

- Abraham's reply to God's plan was, "That doesn't seem fair."
- As God continued to listen to Abraham, He continued to show His mercy and grace.
- Abraham's point was that it didn't seem fair for good and righteous folks to suffer because of the wickedness of someone else.
- In the sight of a holy, righteous God, none of us are truly righteous.
- **Here's the truth: God has been giving us the grace we don't deserve our entire lives.**

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**6. Accept the Answer (Reference Scriptures: John 3:17; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Romans 8:1)**

- God's justice demands that He deal with our wrongness and wickedness. He seeks to deal with our unrighteousness with His goodness in the present.
- Like He came down in the form of a man to deal with Sodom's sin, He came down in the form of a man (Jesus) to deal with ours.
- Jesus came to save.
- **The existence of Jesus screams to the world that God is good, patient, merciful, and willing to save.**

**Remember:**

**Obey:**

**Apply:**