



**Series:** Genesis  
**Passage:** Genesis Chapter 20  
**Title:** The Sin We Struggle With  
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**Discussion Starter** – Is there any temptation or sin that you struggle with? How do you view these struggles differently after hearing this message?

- Why do you think Abraham falls into the trap of telling king Abimelech that Sarah is his sister instead of his wife? What hadn't Abraham learned from his experience in Chapter 12, (25 years prior)?
- What unique title does God give in Abraham in verse 7?
- On what basis do you think Abraham is given this title?
- How does God intervene to protect Abraham and Sarah? What truth does this reveal to us about God to us?
- Why do you think Abimelech felt that he had done nothing wrong and his actions were righteous before God? Explain your thoughts.
- What is revealed about Abraham as he tries to justify his actions to king Abimelech, (verse 11)?
- Why do you think Abraham struggled with this particular sin? What are some of the particular sins you have struggled with?
- What do you think motivated Abimelech to bestow such wealth on Abraham? Do you think Abraham was deserving of this gift?
- Why do you think Abraham received gifts from Abimelech and Pharaoh but refused to take any of the gifts from the king of Sodom in Chapter 14?
- Read 2 Corinthians 12:7-10. What application does this passage have as it pertains to what we see Abraham struggling with?
- Describe Paul's struggle and his final view of God's lesson for him in this passage. How might this apply to us? Is there a thorn in your life that you wish God would just remove? Explain.
- What are some of the dangers of looking at how God blesses Abraham even though he lies again about not being married to Sarah? Read Romans 6:1-14. What insights as Christians can we glean from this passage?
- Read 1 John 1:5-10. How does this passage give us insight to let us know if we are abusing the free gift of God and His full forgiveness of our continued sins?
- What were the 5 points mentioned in the sermon that we can use to help handle our weaknesses? Which points do you think might help you the most in your walk? Explain.
- What are some of the things you think Abraham learns here about his relationship with God based on what takes place in (verses 14-18)?
- What things have you learned about your relationship with God from this sermon?