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Gen.18,14: "Is anything too hard for the LORD?"

Lk.17,5: "The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!""

The answer, of course, is 'No!' "I know that you can do all things; no purpose of yours can be thwarted." (Hi.42,2)

But this is easier said than relied upon and trusted. Because we make our way within limitations to what is possible and what is not, what is real and what is not, what can be realised and what can't be. And should we therefore count and rely on a word/information that is not consistent with such limitations and what we know about them?

Not if that word is from man, to be sure. But it is a very different story when that word is from God (as Sara found out in spite of her doubts). Where there is a word from God, there shall therefore also be a way for its realisation. The creation witnesses to this, and so does Jesus' resurrection.

Did not the Word of God become flesh (Jn.1,14)? Did he not say to a paraplegic 'Get up, take you mat and go home' and see him do so? And does he not say to all what he said to Martha: "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die". The question is, because faith has it: Do you believe this?

"Lord, with your disciples we too ask that you increase our faith. Amen"