

## Key #3: Timing

### Timing in the Life of Abraham and Sarah

**Genesis 18:11-15** <sup>11</sup> Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age; and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. <sup>12</sup> Therefore Sarah laughed within herself, saying, After I am waxed old shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also? <sup>13</sup> And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old? <sup>14</sup> Is any thing too hard for the LORD? [**Yahweh – plan and purpose**] At the **time** appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son. <sup>15</sup> Then Sarah denied, saying, I laughed not; for she was afraid. And he said, Nay; but thou didst laugh.

### Timing for Everything Under Heaven

**Ecclesiastes 3:1** <sup>1</sup> To every thing there is a **season**, [**a fixed timeframe**] and a **time** to every purpose under the heaven:

### Timing in the Life of Jesus

**Luke 9:51-56** <sup>51</sup> And it came to pass, when the **time** was come that he should be received up, he stedfastly set his face to go to Jerusalem, <sup>52</sup> And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him. <sup>53</sup> And they did not receive him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem. <sup>54</sup> And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? <sup>55</sup> But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. <sup>56</sup> For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village.

**John 7:6-8** <sup>6</sup> Then Jesus said unto them, My **time** is not yet come: but your **time** is always ready. <sup>7</sup> The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil. <sup>8</sup> Go ye up unto this feast: I go not up yet unto this feast; for my **time** is not yet full come.

**John 16:1-6** <sup>1</sup> These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended. <sup>2</sup> They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the **time** cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service. <sup>3</sup> And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me. <sup>4</sup> But these things have I told you, that when the **time** shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you. <sup>5</sup> But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? <sup>6</sup> But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart.