- Question everything.
    - Even God.
        - What radical teaching!
            - The questioning mind is the biggest gift the Jews have given the civilized world.

- Questions are the basis of the scientific method.
    - But they are also the basis of Judaism.
    - In some religions to question is evidence of a lack of faith, in Judaism it is evidence of faith.
        - If you don't question you don't care.
    - Questions are how we grow and discover the insides of cells and the distant galaxies.
    - In our tradition, questions are as holy as are the answers.

- Judaism is not the religion of surrender but that of struggle with the physical and spiritual world.
    - Challenge authority.
    - Challenge dogma.
- That is what Abraham is teaching us in this week's Parasha where have the story of Sodom and Gmorah
- Tell story
- His lessons:
    - if there is an absolute morality, then even God is not above it. God must act according to the code of ethics. If a prophet comes along and tells us to kill innocent people, that is a fake religion, a fake voice. We must rise up and argue against immorality everywhere.
    - We Jews hold life precious. We believe strongly in the sanctity of life. Jewish doctors all over the world fight diseases to keep Jews and non-Jews alive and well. Life over death. L'chaim! Killing should never be taken lightly. Even at war. Even as a punishment by God.
    - The entire world is made of the balance between justice and mercy.
        - Too much mercy becomes evil.
            - If you are kind to the cruel, says the Talmud, you become cruel to the kind.
        - But, too much justice also becomes evil with the inflexibility to see the good in anything, any situation or any people.

- Question everything.
    - Especially the things you take for granted.