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"They Called Him Laughter"

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A barren land and a barren wife
Made Abraham laugh at his wandering life
A cruel joke it seemed then to call him the father of
nations

A heavenly prank, a celesta, all joke
'Cause gray hair and babies leave no room for hope
But hoping was something this hopeless old man
learned to d

They called him laughter, for he came after
The Father had made an impossible promise come true
The birth of a baby to a hopeless old lady
So they called him laughter, 'cause no other name
would do

A cry in the darkness and laughter at night
An elderly couple sit holding him tight
An improbable infant, a punchline, a promise come
true

They laughed 'til they wept, then they laughed at their
tears
This miracle baby they'd wanted for years
Would make a Messiah who'd give us impossible joy

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