



SEQUIM COMMUNITY CHURCH  
**WOMEN OF THE BIBLE**

*Sarah*

**A WOMAN OF REMARKABLE FAITH**

Sarah is the epitome of waiting on the Lord. She had a life that felt like it was on hold. She seemed, because of her age, beyond fulfilling God's plan of having a baby in her life. Yet she remained faithful...which as we will read made all the difference in the world.

When God told her she would finally have a baby of her own, she laughed, not so much from a lack of faith in what God could do, but from doubt about what He could do through her.

Read Genesis 12:1-20; 17:15-21 & Genesis 18:6-15

Small Group Opener:

1. Do you believe everyone lives by faith in someone or something? Why? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please look up these verses and answer the following questions before October 4th.

A. Read Genesis 2:24. What do you believe God had in mind for marriage? \_\_\_\_\_  
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B. Look up Genesis 12:10-16. How does God's Word say Sarah dealt with and handled her awkward and potentially disastrous situation? \_\_\_\_\_  
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• What does this reveal about her as a wife? \_\_\_\_\_  
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• About her trust in God? \_\_\_\_\_  
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C. What does Genesis 12:17-20 tell us about how God handled Sarah's situation? \_\_\_\_\_

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D. Read Genesis 17:15. Sarai's name was not changed to Sarah until she was 90 years old.

How does age impact a woman's ability or desire to change? \_\_\_\_\_

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D. Now look up Genesis 18:1-2, 9-14. What question did the angel asked the doubting Sarah?

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E. Read now about the fulfillment of God's promise to Sarah in Genesis 21:1-8.

- How does it encourage you as you "wait on God's promises" for you and your life? \_\_\_\_\_

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- Why do you believe Sarah named her son Isaac, which meant "laughter"? \_\_\_\_\_

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- What was at the core of the humor in the way God had dealt with her? \_\_\_\_\_

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**Going Further**  
*(additional study)*

I. God does want to bless our lives.

A. What do the following verses state about how God can and will bless us, as we wait faithfully on Him.

- Psalm 27:14 \_\_\_\_\_

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- Isaiah 40:31 \_\_\_\_\_

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- Lamentations 3:25-26 \_\_\_\_\_

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- Micah 7:7 \_\_\_\_\_

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B. Look now at these promises. How does each encourage you in your trust of the Lord's ability to care for you?

• Eternal life: John 10:28 \_\_\_\_\_  
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• Sufficient grace: 2 Corinthians 12:9 \_\_\_\_\_  
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• Strength for life: Philippians 4:13 \_\_\_\_\_  
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• God's everlasting presence: Joshua 1:9 \_\_\_\_\_  
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C. How do these verses encourage you to pray while you are waiting?

• Matthew 7:7-11 \_\_\_\_\_  
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• Luke 18:1 \_\_\_\_\_  
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• Hebrews 4:16 \_\_\_\_\_  
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D. The story of Sarah (and Abraham) is about faith. How do these verses about their faith help you believe God regarding your seemingly impossible situations?

• Read Romans 4:21 (by choice) \_\_\_\_\_  
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• Read Romans 4:13 (by faith) \_\_\_\_\_  
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• Read Romans 4:20 (by exercise) \_\_\_\_\_  
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E. Do some math. According to Genesis 17:17 how many years will have passed between God's initial promise of Genesis 12:2 and 4 and its fulfillment?

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