

Sarah's Story

of Miraculous Conception

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- ✦ Sarah was first known as Sarai until God later changed her name to Sarah, which means Princess (Genesis 17:15).
- ✦ The Bible describes Sarah as a very beautiful woman (Genesis 12:14).
- ✦ Sarah was the wife of Abraham.
- ✦ Sadly, for many years Sarah was barren. In fact, she was without child well past her childbearing age.
- ✦ When Abraham was 75 years old, God did however promise to bless Abraham and his descendants; when he told him to leave Haran and some of his extended family members, and to go to a new land (Canaan).
- ✦ Having lived in Canaan for ten years, Sarah took matters into her own hands because she was unable to conceive for so long.
- ✦ Sarah therefore gave her Egyptian servant, Hagar, to Abraham to marry as his secondary wife; so that Abraham could be a father.
- ✦ Ultimately, because Hagar was her servant, Sarah would have "the right" to the child; and could build a family that way.
- ✦ This plan completely backfired, because Hagar ended up despising Sarah once she had conceived.
- ✦ Hagar despised and looked down on Sarah, because she was infertile. This enraged Sarah so much that she rebuked Hagar strongly, who fled.
- ✦ However, the Lord met with Hagar in the wilderness, by sending His angel; and He gently sent her back.
- ✦ Abraham was 86 years old when Ishmael, his son, was born from Hagar.

You can read more of Sarah's full story in the Bible in Genesis chapters 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 20 and 21.

God's Hand in Sarah's Life

- ✦ When Abraham was 99 years old, God appeared to him again, and gave Abraham a promise that his wife, Sarah, who was 90 at the time, would still bear a child.
- ✦ God said that He would bless her and that she would be known as "the mother of nations" (Genesis 17:16). God promised Sarah that she would have a child within one year.
- ✦ Even though Sarah first doubted that she would become pregnant, she later trusted in great faith that nothing was impossible for God. God honoured her for her faith; and it was through this that Sarah gave birth to Isaac, despite being a very old woman herself.
- ✦ It is from this same lineage that Jesus came to the earth.
- ✦ As God's child, Jesus promises you that He will never leave you nor forsake you (Hebrews 13:5, Deuteronomy 31:8). You can therefore fully rely on the Lord to be with you, despite the circumstances you face.
- ✦ You can learn from Sarah's life, just how important it is to have faith. Faith is what pleases God and paves the way for Him to be glorified in and through your life. Nothing is impossible for God!!

God is a good Father. So, you are loved by Him! Jesus wants to be your Saviour. He also wants to be your Healer. God can forgive, restore, and help you. So, if you make Jesus the Lord of your life, good things will come from your hurt and pain. Say this prayer for your Salvation:

Father, I come to You in the Name of Jesus. Please forgive me for my sins, as I believe Jesus died for me on the cross.

Father, thank You for raising up Jesus from the dead.

Jesus, I ask You to come into my heart, and to be the Lord of my life today. In the Name of Jesus, I pray, Amen.

(For reference read Romans 10:9 & 10)

A prayer for your healing:

Father God, I come to You in the Name of Jesus. I need Your healing hand in my life. Holy Spirit, you know my story. Please come and touch me today. I receive Your healing to restore my soul.

In the Name of Jesus Christ. Thank You. Amen.

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By faith even Sarah herself received the ability to conceive [a child], even [when she was long] past the normal age for it, because she considered Him who had given her the promise to be reliable and true [to His word] - Hebrews 11:11 AMP

