



SUNDAY+

# SARAH: FROM EMPTY TO EXPECTING

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Hebrews 11:11-12

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Looking for a way to serve?** We're putting together a team to help set the auditorium back up after Daddy Daughter Date Night on Saturday morning (2/28). Should only take an hour. Let the office know if you're available!

## RELATIONAL CONNECT & CHECK-IN

If you had to hike the Rocky Mountains with just one item only, what would you choose? Why?

## GROUP DISCUSSION

*Read Hebrews 11:11-12. Share anything that immediately resonates w/ you. Then go read Sarah's story. Genesis 16, 17 & 18.*

- 1. Be honest: when something gets really hard, are you more likely to push through, complain loudly, or quietly look for an exit?** (Leader: Normalize the fact that we all struggle.)
- 2. Sarah laughed when she heard God's promise. Have you ever heard something in Scripture and thought, "That sounds great... but not for me"? Or can you think of a time when God spoke and you thought, "Yeah right...that's not possible"?**
- 3. Hebrews keeps saying "by faith." Do you tend to think of faith as something you *do* when life gets hard, or something you *are* all the time? What's the difference between the two?**
- 4. Sarah described herself as "worn out." Where do you feel most worn out right now... and how does that affect the way you trust God?**
- 5. God changed Sarah's name before He changed her situation. Why do you think God often works on who we *are* before fixing what we want fixed? Can you recall a time when you noticed Him do that work in you?**
- 6. Read Colossians 3:3-4. What does this passage say about your true identity?**
- 7. The sermon said: "God's CALLING will always outpace your CAPABILITY". What does this mean? How have you seen this play out in your life? What feelings and thoughts accompanied?**
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## ACTION STEP

This week, identify one area where you've been striving in your own strength. Each day, intentionally surrender that area to God in prayer and remind yourself of your identity in Christ.

**Lastly:** How can we pray as a group for you as a group? Be honest...