God's Faithfulness to Sarah

1 Peter 3:5-6 "For in this way in former times the holy women also, who hoped in God, used to adorn themselves, being subject to their own husbands, just as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord. You have become her children if you do good, not fearing any intimidation."

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Fly over of the life of Sarah – 127 years

Early Life

- Sarai is born in Ur of the Chaldeans. She marries her half-brother, Abram.
- Sarai is barren, she cannot have children. This is, believe it or not, God's faithfulness, so God alone gets the glory for Isaac. Genesis 11:29-32
- Sarai leaves Ur with Abram and her father-in-law Terah. They settle in Haran.
- Terah dies, God tells Abram he will become a great nation. They move to Canaan. Sarai is 65 years old. Genesis 12:1-5

Years in Egypt and Canaan (Age 65-75)

- A severe famine forces them into Egypt. Sarai is very beautiful, so Abram says that she is his sister. Pharaoh takes her into his harem. God strikes them with plagues until she is safely restored to Abram. God protects Sarai from the Pharaoh. Genesis 12:11-20
- Ten years go by and still no child between Sarai and Abram. Sarai gives her servant Hagar to Abram to conceive a child. Genesis 16:1-3
- Problems in the household! Once pregnant, Hagar scorns Sarai. Sarai deals harshly with her. Hagar flees into the wilderness and is told by an angel to return to Sarai and submit to her. Hagar gives birth to Ishmael Genesis 16:5-8, 15

God's Covenant and the birth of a miracle baby (Age 89-91)

- Sarai is now called Sarah and God promises that she will bear a son to Abraham. Genesis 17:15-21. God gives Sarah hope.
- Divine visitors at the tent in Mamre. They tell Abraham that Sarah will have a son within a year. 99-year-old Abraham and Sarah laugh Genesis 18:9-15.
- They move south to Gerar. Abraham lies to King Abimelech and says Sarah is his sister. God doesn't let the King touch Sarah. The King returns Sarah untouched. Genesis 20:2-18. God protects Sarah again.
- God remains faithful to His promise and Isaac is born to Sarah at age 90. She rejoices-she laughs with joy! Genesis 21:1-7 God alone gets the glory!

- ♦ There are still problems between Sarah and Hagar. So, Hagar and Ishmael are sent away to protect Isaac's inheritance. God provides for Hagar & Ishmael's needs. Genesis 21:8-14.

Death and God's Faithfulness (Age 91-127)

- ♦ Sarah dies at the age of 127 and is buried at Hebron Genesis 23:1-2, 19
- ♦ In the New Testament she is commended for her faith and is a model of a woman who hopes in God and was submissive to her husband. Hebrews 11:11 and 1 Peter 3:6.

How did Sarah Adorn Herself? 1 Peter 3:1-6

1. **Meekness - Gentleness**
   a. We are teachable James 1:21
   b. We bear trials peacefully James 1:2-4
   c. We cultivate the fruit of the Spirit Galatians 5:22 and Ephesians 4:26



   d. We slow down Proverbs 17:27
   e. We control our words Proverbs 31:26 and Psalm 39:1 and James 1:20

2. **Quiet Spirit**
   Isaiah 26:3 and Psalm 37:8

3. **Submission to her husband**
   1 Peter 3:5-6 and Genesis 12:5, 12:11-13, 20:2,6 and Proverbs 31:11

Sarah's Faith in God – How she hoped in God

Hebrews 11:11
Psalm 130:5
Psalm 73:28
Matthew 17:20

