



Sunday, May 9th, 2021- Mother's Day

Series: "Living by Faith"

TWCC Sermon Connection Outline: "Faith of an Expecting Mother"

Hebrews 11:11 - 12 (NKJV) - **"¹¹ By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she^{al} bore a child when she was past the age, because *she judged Him faithful* who had promised. ¹² Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born as many as the stars of the sky in multitude—innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore."**

- Like Sarah, we too have the other side of God to ascertain and experience. One side is: **(1) GOD IS ABLE!** The other side is of our _____ is: **(1) GOD IS FAITHFUL!** In other words, He is dependable, completely reliable, absolutely _____ and _____, and God is just, true, and trustworthy in Who He is, and What He promised and provided for us. God is _____! He does not _____, He never _____ - He is always the _____ and He never _____. **Our Father God is too _____ to fail!**
- **1 Corinthians 10:13 (NLT)** - **"The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, he will show you a way out so that you can endure."**

PROBLEMS, PRESSURES, AND PAIN ARE GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW IN OUR FAITH

- *Let me speak to the Mothers and Grandmothers for a moment, Dear Mothers it is easy to become emotionally drained, spiritually depleted, and physically fatigued living in the Ministry of Motherhood. When those kinds of things start to happen like they did to Sarah, there are three characteristics that are the danger zone for people who are actively in the ministry or entering the Ministry of Motherhood.*
 - **(1)** Everything becomes a problem.
 - **(2)** There is a hesitancy to reach out because of the number of times you've reached out and somehow your good intentions were abused.
 - **(3)** You are just going through the motions.
- **Growing your Faith and Faithfulness entails (4) four areas:**
- **(1)** _____ - Why do you do what you do? Your purpose must be **expanding**. - **Without purpose, the day-to-day stuff, stress and situations alone will crush you.**
- Without purpose, pretty-soon the day-to-day stuff will _____ you, and you will totally lose sight of why you were doing what you're doing. Life will go out of it, and your strength will be lost.
- **Three D's that Diminish Purpose: (1) _____ or Drudgery of Day-To-Day Duties/Details:** (phone calls, emails, text messages, meetings, conflicts, and communication issues) - **(Philippians 2:5: 1 Corinthians 2:16: 2 Timothy 1:7)** - **MUST STAY FRESH, FOCUSED AND FAITHFUL IN OUR THINKING!**
- **(2)** _____. Its purpose is the take you away from your purpose. It is the destruction of your dream in slow motion.

- (3) _____. (These are life's unexpected interruptions of the normal course of unity; it means to be thrown into disorder). *ALL THESE KINDS OF THINGS WILL PILE UP, AND EVENTUALLY YOU'LL BECOME PREOCCUPIED WITH THE IDEA THAT YOUR LIFE, YOUR MOTHERHOOD, GRAND MOTHERHOOD, YOUR MINISTRY, YOUR JOB/BUSINESS, IS A **PROBLEM**, NOT A _____.*
- (2) _____ - For whom do you do what you do? Your passion must be **growing**. - *Without passion, your problems and life will overwhelm you.*
- Bible Passion Principle: **Colossians 3:23 - 24 (NKJV)** - *"²³ And whatever you do, **do it heartily**, as **to the Lord** and not to men, ²⁴ knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ."* (Passion = extreme zeal; fervency; strong conviction; devotion)
- _____ will move people beyond themselves, beyond their shortcomings, and beyond their failures.
- **Ladies, Mothers, If Jesus is speaking to your life, then there's a fire! If there's no _____, then you've drifted too far. (Romans 12:11 (TPT)** - *"Be enthusiastic to serve the Lord, keeping your passion toward him boiling hot! Radiate with the glow of the Holy Spirit and let him fill you with excitement as you serve him."*)
- (3) _____ - How long do you do what you do? Your patience has to be able to **stretch**. - *Without patience, the little things will eat away at you.* Your patience (cheerful endurance) must be larger than your *frustration*. Learn to rejoice; Learn the spiritual discipline of forgiving and moving on; Let love dominate your thoughts, words and actions.
- **5-Points to Learning and Growing in PATIENCE:** (1) *Reflect on how God responded to you.* (2) *Remember what is at stake.* (3) *Realize that there are few issues worth fighting over.* (4) *React to people by understanding that love is greater than opinions, and preferences.* (5) *Recognize that God is at work even we don't see it.*
- (4) _____ - How do you do what you do? Your prayer must **increase**. - *Without prayer, life, loving others compassionately, and leading your family courageously and fearlessly is bigger than you.*
- **It's a mismatch. Life will tower above you and there will be no way to defend yourself aside from prayer.**

FAITH OPENS THE DOOR TO THE SUPERNATURAL!

Read Genesis 18:1 - 15 (NKJV) and Genesis 21:1 - 7 (NKJV)

- _____ laughs at impossibilities and _____ is always measured by _____ and/or _____.
- _____ manifests itself through: (1) Constancy / Consistency; (2) Loyalty; (3) Submission
- _____ is the manifestation of _____ to see things through.
- (1) The _____ is a doorway to the heart. **Proverbs 23:7a (NKJV)** - *"For as he thinks in his heart, so is he..."* **Colossians 3:2 (NLT)** - *"Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth."*
- **Read Philippians 4:8 (NLT)** What we _____ about we _____ about!
- (2) _____ is a door to the afterlife. _____ is simply _____.
- (3) _____ is a door to your next opportunities.
- (4) _____ are a door to new experiences, resources, and learning..
- (5) _____ is a door to Satan. **Proverbs 4:23 (NLT)** - *"Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life."*
- (6) The _____ of a child or grandchild is a door to Motherhood or Grand Motherhood!
- (7) _____ opens the door to the Supernatural!
