

*"Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised." *Hebrews 11:11 KJV**



A good relay runner doesn't look back for the handoff, because they trust the faithfulness of their teammate. Much is written about faithful men in Scripture, but in Hebrews chapter eleven, we receive a nugget about faithful women. Sarah's faith is highlighted in the highest possible terms for her belief and trust in the Almighty Promiser. All earthly knowledge would have forbidden her having a child, but "*because she judged Him faithful Who had promised,*" she bore the son of promise. When first told of it, like anyone, she laughed. She even tried to help God by offering her handmaid as a surrogate mother. The result of that error is still thrashing itself out to this day in the land of Palestine as the descendents of Isaac and Ishmael strive furiously with one another. Perhaps it was the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah or the earnestness of her husband that convinced her. At any rate, it was her faith that enabled her providential motherhood. God never commands what He does not enable. Faith is a direct result of God's Word. "*Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.*" Many faithful mothers have reared Godly men who garnished the Glory of Jehovah God with their unfeigned faith. The Holy Scripture devotes an entire book to recounting the refining of the faith of Ruth, grandmother of King David. The Book of Martyrs gives story after story of Godly women who refused life and submitted to horrible tortures in honor of their Faithful God. Many Godly women are this very day being murdered by fanatic Muslim fathers and husbands in the name of their murderous god allah. (*I refuse to capitalize the name. It deserves no respect!*) Jesus said of such, "*Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the Truth, because there is no Truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.*" Need you any further revelation as to the identity of allah? He even murders his own worshippers; but that's another subject. Pastor Timothy was commended for the knowledge he had learned from his grandmother, Lois. If your mother is a Godly woman, "Listen to your mother!" I'm glad I did!

The faithful God Who promises,
Enables all our faithfulness,
The fires that try our weary soul,
Refine our faith and make us whole. ~CGP

What is impossible for men is God's domain, "*For with God nothing shall be impossible.*" Ponder this passage: "*I am the LORD, and there is none else, there is no God beside me...I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.*" Did you ever wonder where evil came from? Why would God create Lucifer knowing he would rebel and defy Him? For that matter why did God spare mankind? God tells us this: "*My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways.*" You don't teach a toddler how to drive and God's written Word doesn't give us all the answers, but it does tell us what we need to know, now. Paul wrote, "*For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.*" May we all learn from Sarah. Isaac's birth could not have been easy for ninety year old Sarah, but her God gave her all the strength she needed, because "*she judged Him faithful!*"

"Therefore sprang there even of one (Abraham), and him as good as dead, so many as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable." Hebrews 11:12 KJV