How Can You... When You Can’t?
1 Peter 3:6; Hebrews 11:11

Sermon Outline

A. Bloom Where You Are Planted (1 Peter 3:6):

1. Sarah’s obedience to Abraham more especially, refers to subjection to the saving will of God and referred to as obedience, hearken or yield to the His divine truth.
2. Her trust in God’s promises led her to yield to her husband.
3. Sarah did not always agree with her husband (Genesis 16-17; 21). She did not leave him because she knew he was led by God.
4. Sarah made it a habit to show her husband respect because it was God’s divine call on her life.
5. Sarah called Abraham lord so that she will give him respect in order to sustain his position of authority. Abraham led the vision of God and a tribe of people not just a wife.
6. To become her children we must:
   a) We must function based on the standards of God no matter what.
   b) We must not allow the dreadful feeling that fear provides to make us timid or withdraw.
   c) We must not live terrified of the circumstances life may provide.


1. Sarah remained steadfast with complete confidence in the divine truth of God by fully trusting Him for His Word. Faith is totally surrendering to God and having the ability and willingness to carry out His promises.
2. Sarah’s moments of weakness was not counted against her because she remained steadfast by enduring the journey God set before her.
3. The only thing that kept Sarah moving forward was her conviction and full surrender to God’s word.
4. Sarah received the ability and mighty capability to overcome all resistances or obstacles in the face of all dangers because of the mighty power of God (used of works of a supernatural origin and character).
5. Sarah’s faith was rewarded (Hebrews 11:6) by God allowing her to conceive and have Isaac.
6. Sarah’s faith led her to surrender to God so that He leads the way.
7. Sarah allowed God to lead the way because she saw God as dependable and believable. Because of His nature and character, she knew, by remaining steadfast in her trust in Him, God will come through.
8. God’s faithfulness is sure but when it is tied to a pledge that He made it is even more convincing as to why it should be completely trusted.
9. God’s promises will always be fulfilled.