

WELCOME

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Discovery is a non-denominational Christian Church that seeks to lead people to discover and experience life, love and hope in Jesus Christ. These values drive our Sunday morning worship, community gatherings throughout the week, and ministries we serve in.

MAY MESSAGE SERIES FORGING STRONG FAMILIES

This week's message:

Forging Strong Faith

*God is calling us on the path of BLESSING
but the only way to walk it is through FAITH.*

• ARE YOU ON THE ROAD OF FAITH?

1. We have LEFT OUR PAST BEHIND.
2. We are SEEKING GOD'S DIRECTION.
3. We will TAKE STEPS OF OBEDIENCE TOGETHER.

Some verses for men: Matt. 19:8-9; Eph. 5:22-33; 1 Pet. 3:7;
1 Tim. 2:8; Titus 2:1-2; 1 Cor. 13:1-7

Some verses for women: 1 Pet. 3:1-6; 1 Tim. 2:9-10; Titus 2:3-5;
1 Cor. 13:1-7

• WHAT IS CURRENTLY HAPPENING ON YOUR ROAD?

Two common detours:

1. We FEAR God will not do what He promised.
2. We get IMPATIENT with God's timing.

• HAVE YOU GIVEN UP ON GOD?

Even when we are FAITHLESS, God remains FAITHFUL.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Throughout this week, read the story of Abraham and Sarah in Genesis 12-18 and 21-23. Also read of their faith in Acts 7:2-8; Romans 4:1-25 & Hebrews 11:8-19.

With your community, discuss your faith journey as a couple. How did it begin? What were some of the high points? What were some of the bumps in the road? If you are single or divorced, discuss what your individual faith journey has looked like.

What activities have helped you walk together in faith? How have you managed to walk together through difficult seasons or circumstances?

Review Abraham and Sarah's "faith failures" in Egypt (Gen. 12:10-13), with Hagar (Gen. 16:1-6) and by laughing at God (Gen. 17:15-17; 18:10-15). How have you seen fear or impatience impede your walk of faith? What consequences are you experiencing as a result? What does God want you to learn from Abraham and Sarah's journey... or your own past?

Do you find hope in the fact that Abraham and Sarah are characterized in the New Testament as a faithful family? What do you need to do today so that you are characterized as a faithful family at the end of your road?

This week discuss with your spouse how you can spur one another on as men and women of faith, as well as walk more faithfully together. Is there something God has been leading you to do that you have not shared with your spouse?

MORE NOTES: _____

Need Prayer? Life is hard. You were not meant to live it alone. Following our message, an elder or prayer partner will be available to pray with you at our Prayer Patio (on the right side of the theater). You can also share your prayer request on your **Connection Card** and place it in this morning's offering bag.