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Genesis 16:1-2 (NIV)

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RUNNING WITH THE BIG DOGS

SARAH

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us." - Hebrews 12:1

For when you can't understand God and impatience threatens to overwhelm you

"Don't complicate God's ______ with your _____."

TRUST GOD...

✓ Even if it _____.

Now Sara, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian maidservant named Hagar, so she said to Abram, "The Lord has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my maidservant, perhaps I can build a family through her." Abram agreed to what Sarai said.

-Genesis 16:1-2

✓ Even if it _____.

Then the Lord said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah your wife will have a son. Now Sarah was listening at the entrance to the tent, which was behind him. Abraham and Sarah were already old and well advanced in years, and Sarah was past the age of childbearing. So Sarah laughed to herself as she thought, "After I am worn out and my master is old, will I now have this pleasure?" Then the Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh and say, "Will I really have a child now that I am old?" Is anything too hard for the Lord? I will return to you at the appointed time next year and Sarah will have a son.

- Genesis 18:10-14

✓ Even if _____ don't.

Sarah said, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me." And she added, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age. – Genesis 21:6-7

SARAH'S BIG DOG WORDS

And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise.

-Hebrews 11:11

1) "Don't try to ______ of God when He isn't moving ______ for you."

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient.. - John 8:12

Be still in the presence of the LORD, and wait patiently for him to act. Don't worry about evil people who prosper or fret about their wicked schemes. – *Psalm 37:7 (NLT)*

"When you must wait, focus on what's happening ______, not what's happening ______."

"That is why waiting does not diminish us, any more than waiting diminishes a pregnant mother. We are enlarged in the waiting. We, of course, don't see what is enlarging us. But the longer we wait, the larger we become, and the more joyful our expectancy. – Romans 8:24-25 (MSG)

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything." - James 1: 2-4

B) "Even ______ cannot possibly ______ to anything God has in mind."

"Since before time began no one has ever imagined, No ear heard, no eye seen, a God like you who works for those who wait for him. – Isaiah 64:4 (MSG)