

"Experience"
Genesis 16 & 21

Big Idea: Faith is born out of *experience* over *time*.

Sometimes, faith requires waiting.

Sometimes, faith requires acting.

The only way to learn is through experience living life with Jesus.

Next Steps:

- Start each morning this week by asking God,
"Where are you asking me to wait?"
"Where are you calling me to act?"
- Do it!



BUILDING FAITH

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ALL CHURCH

Annual Update Q&A | June 20 | 6:30P | Harrison Ln | 2RC.tv/VisionWeekend
Questions about the proposed budget may be addressed at this meeting.

Vision Weekend | June 25 & 26 | Following service | 2RC.tv/VisionWeekend
Join us as we celebrate the vision we have for next year on each campus!

The Well | Every Wednesday | 6:30P | Harrison Lane | 2RC.tv/Well
Come as you are & sit in God's presence for mid-week prayer & worship.

Young Adult Hike | June 18 | Spruce Flats Falls Trail | 2RC.tv/Events
Adults ages 20's & 30's, join us for a hike in the Smokies! More info online.

Legacy Grandparenting Summit | Encore | Oct 20-21 | 2RC.tv/Encore
Registration is open for grandparents and soon-to-be grandparents.

KARM Donations | ACTS 2 Ministry | 2RC.tv/Care
Spring Cleaning? Mention our name when you donate to help our Acts 2 Ministry!

We're Hiring! | Job Opportunities @ 2RC | 2RC.tv/Job
We have a few positions open on our staff, visit 2RC.tv/Job for more info.

HARRISON LN

Smokies Game | HSM & MSM | June 22 | 6:15P | 2RC.tv/Smokies
Limited spots available! Students will take a bus to the Smokies game, \$10 tickets.

PRAYER REQUESTS

I PRAYED TO RECEIVE CHRIST TODAY!

I'M INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED!

LIVE IT OUT TOGETHER | STUDY • DISCUSS • APPLY

Monday | Read Gen 16 & Gen 21:1-14 | Experience living with Jesus
What is something that you've had to learn through experience? Faith is born out of experience over time. How do you see the faith of Abram, Sarai, and Hagar grow over time? How has your faith grown over the past year, or 3, or 5? Ask God, "What are you teaching me right now about trusting you?"

Tuesday | Read Gen 16:1-16 | Sometimes, faith requires waiting
Abram & Sarai waited and then took action on God's promise. How have you grown impatient in waiting on God in your past? What have you learned in waiting for God to act? How did following a "cultural norm" lead to trouble for Abram & Sarai? What cultural norms might be leading you into trouble? What might God have said if they had prayed first? Ask God, "Where are you asking me to wait?"

Wednesday | Gen 16:1-16 | Sometimes, faith requires acting
God goes after Hagar and instructs her to do something we might consider unthinkable. How does God rescue her and what does He promise her? How has Jesus helped you take courageous actions in the past? Ask God, "Where are you asking me to 'act' (even if I don't want to)?"

Thursday | Gal 4:21-31 | A story pointing toward our freedom
How does Paul use the story of Sarah and Hagar to point followers of Jesus toward the New Covenant we have in Christ? What does it mean to embrace the freedom we have in Christ? How does Paul's use of these biblical characters reinforce the need to understand all of God's story? Read Philippians 2:12 and ask God, "How can I put my 'salvation' into motion today?"

Friday | Read Gen 17:1-8, 21:1-7, & Heb 11:8-16 | The "long game" of faith
Abraham & Sarah learned that faith is a "long game" not a sprint. What was his attitude according to Hebrews 11:16? How could this same view provide hope in your waiting? How does the practice of waiting on God actually enable more intimacy with Him? Ask God, "Is being in your presence my ultimate goal or am I just after answers to prayer?"

Annual Meeting & Vote
June 25 & 26
Members will vote on the proposed 2022/2023 budget & elders up for approval during services.
See the proposed budget at 2RC.tv/VisionWeekend