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## Woman of the Bible

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Woman of the Bible, A One Year Devotional Study  
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			Eve Genesis 1:26-31, 2:17-25, 3:1-24	Sarah Genesis 12:10-20, 16:1-8, 17:1-22, 18:1-15, 21:1-13	Hagar Genesis 16, 21:8-21, Galatians 4:22-31	Rebekah Genesis 24, 25:19-28
Rachel Genesis 29:1-30, 30:1-24, Jeremiah 31:15	Leah Genesis 29:31-35, Ruth 4:11	Jochebed <i>The Mother of Moses</i> Exodus 2:1-10, Hebrews 11:23	Miriam Exodus 15:20-21, Numbers 12:1-15	Rahab Joshua 2:1-21, 6:17-25, Matthew 1:5, Hebrews 11:31, James 2:25.	Deborah Judges 4 and 5	Delilah Judges 16:4-22
Naomi Ruth 1 and 4:13-17	Ruth Ruth 2 and 4, Matthew 1:5	Hannah 1 Samuel 1, 2:1-10, 2:18-21	Michal 1 Samuel 18:20-29, 19:11-17, 2 Samuel 6:16-23	Abigail 1 Samuel 25:2-43	Bathsheba 2 Samuel 11:1-27 and 12:1-25	Tamar <i>Daughter of King David</i> 2 Samuel 13:1-22
Queen of Sheba 1 Kings 10:1-13, Matthew 12:42	Esther Esther 2:5-10, 16-18, 7:1-6, 8	Proverbs 31 Woman Poverbs 31:10-31	Gomer Hosea 1:2-11 2:1-3	Elizabeth Luke 1:5-24, 39-45, 57-63	Mary <i>Mother of Jesus</i> Matthew 1:18-25, Luke 1:26-38, John 19:25-27	Anna Luke 2:36-38
The Woman of Samaria John 4:1-42	The Woman Who Lived a Sinful Life Luke 7:36-50	The Woman with the Issue of Blood Matthew 9:20-22, Mark 5:25-34, Luke 8:43-48	Martha Luke 10:38-42, John 11:1 and 12:3	Mary Magdalene Matthew 27:55-56, 28:1-10, Luke 8:2, John 19:25, 20:1-18		

She is fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Psalm 139:14

Jesus and Lemons

# Eve

Her name means  
“Life-Giving” or “Mother of All Who Have Life”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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What does being “one flesh” in a marriage mean, both physically and spiritually?

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# Sarah

Her name means  
“Chieftainness” or “Princess”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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God worked through Sarah’s life in spite of her failings. How can God use you in spite of your imperfections?

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# Hagar

Her name (Egyptian) may mean  
“Fugitive” or “Immigrant”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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What impressions of God do you get from this story? (Genesis 16:1-16)

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# Rebekah

Her name means  
“Loop” or “Tie”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Confess: Any tendency to try and control the future rather than trusting God to shape it according to His timing and His will.

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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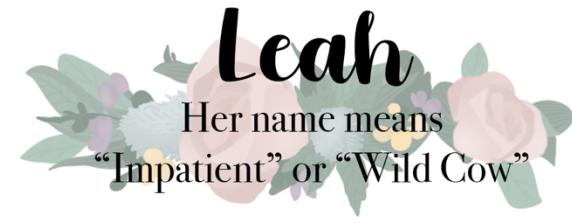
Read Genesis 35:16-20. What Rachel most wanted - a child-cost her life. What do you long for? What price would you pay? What price, to yourself or others, is too high?

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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God saw Leah's suffering and had compassion for her (Genesis 29:31). How aware are you of God's compassion for you? Where do you see His compassion active in your life?

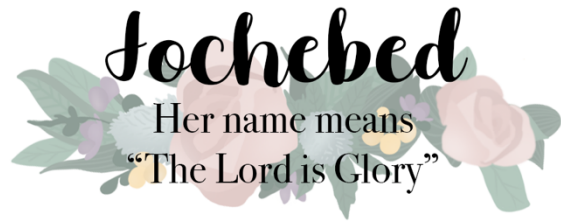
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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reflect on: Exodus 2:1-10

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Confess: Any arrogance that may have crept into your heart, especially as it relates to your role at church or at work and even at home.

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# Rahab

Her name means

“Storm,” “Arrogance,” “Broad,” or “Spacious”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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What risk have you been willing to take for your faith? What risk haven't you been willing to take for your faith? Why?

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# Deborah

Her name means

“Honey Bee”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ask God: To help you discern His voice.

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# Delilah



Her name means  
"Dainty One"

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Confess: Any tendency to manipulate other.

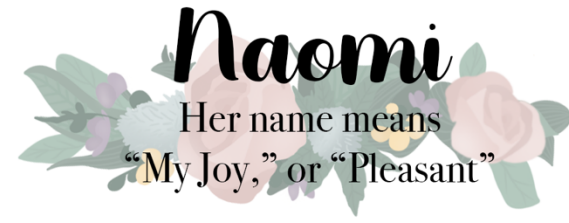
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# Naomi



Her name means  
"My Joy," or "Pleasant"

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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List 3 or 4 words to describe what Naomi experienced in 1:3-5.

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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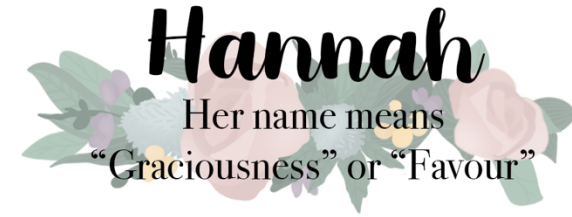
In what areas of your life are you called upon to be loyal? What are the risks and costs of loyalty?

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ask God: To give you the grace to trust His strength.

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# Michal

Her name means  
"Who is Like God?"



Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Praise God: That He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

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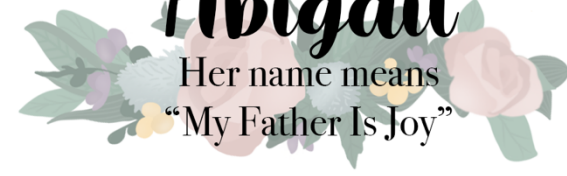
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# Abigail

Her name means  
"My Father Is Joy"



Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Confess: Any bitterness you may have harboured about you marriage or any other relationship (a family member, a friend or even a colleague.)

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# Bathsheba

Her name means

“The Seventh Daughter” or “The Daughter of an Oath”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Confess: Any unforgiveness you may have toward another.

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# Tamar

Her name means

“Date Tree” or “Palm Tree”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe your feelings as a woman when you read Tamar’s pleas in 2 Samuel 13:9-14.

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Pray for the woman out their who have experienced what Tamar went through.

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# The Queen of Sheba



Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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How important is wisdom to you? Why is that?

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# Esther



Her name means from the Persian word for “Star”. Her Hebrew name, “Hadassah,” means “Myrtle”

Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Esther's position was no accident, and neither is yours. Think about the time and people you are among, what might God have planned for you to do right where you are now?

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# The Woman of Proverbs 31



Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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What does it mean to fear the Lord?

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# Gomer

Her name means  
"Completion"



Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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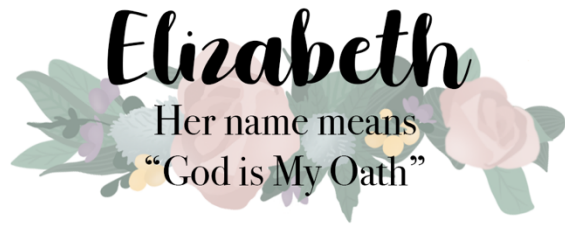
Why is adultery a fitting description for the way humans treat God?

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reread Luke 1:45. What does the Lord want you to believe?

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Confess: Any tendency to devalue yourself as a woman.

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe Anna’s lifestyle (verse 37). What aspect of it seem attractive or foreign to you?

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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What do you think convinced the Samaritan woman that Jesus was who He said He was?

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# The Woman Who Lived a Sinful Life



Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Think about the debt Jesus has cancelled for you, think of the sins for which He has forgiven you. How can you express your gratitude?


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# The Woman with the Issue of Blood



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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Why do you think she was afraid to admit she was the one who had touched Jesus?

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Offer Thanks: That God meets us where we are, rather than where we “should be.”

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Her Character: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her Sorrow: \_\_\_\_\_

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Her joy: \_\_\_\_\_

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Reread John 20:1-16. Why do you suppose Mary didn't recognize Jesus until He spoke her name?

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