

EVE. *The Woman of Unique Distinction* Scripture References are Genesis

2:4-4:2.

There are three names applied to Adam 's wife.

She was called "Woman, because she was taken out of Man".

She was also called "Eve, because she was the mother of all the living". God also named her "wife" because she would be a companion to Adam.

She is considered as, "A Woman of Unique Distinction" because she is distinct in so many ways from all other women who have ever lived. There are a good many "Firsts" to her credit.

Eve Was the First Woman to Live Upon the Earth Eve

Was the First Woman to Be Called a Wife Eve was the first mother in the world.

Eve Was the First and Only Woman Born Without Sin Eve

Was the First on Earth to Be Assailed by Satan.

"Eve Was the First Mother to Have a Son Who Was a Murderer

Eve Was the World's First Dressmaker. If Adam was earth 's first gardener, Eve was the first to fashion garments out of leaves.

Created by a perfect God, Eve reflected the divine perfection. Hers was no artificial beauty.

Eve often takes the blame for allowing sin to come into the world, despite that, she would become a source of life. The human race would not exist without Eve. All nations, tribes and tongues come from her.

Eve had three known sons. Cain, Abel and Seth .She also had other children with Adam who are not mentioned in the Bible. Her first son Cain slewed his brother Abel

Being the first woman, Eve had no inherited sin. She was pure and holy, with the divine image unimpaired. Created sinless, she yet became the world 's first sinner, and introduced sin to her offspring, and thus, all since her were "born in sin".

Eve 's sin was her pride. She was the first woman to be deceived by the serpent.

She believed 'that delicious, nutritious forbidden fruit was helpful for "gaining wisdom. For through the seed of the woman, sin would one day be vanquished, and death would be swallowed up in victory. "

Today we learn from Eve that when we hear God 's voice, sense the move of His Spirit, we should come out of our hiding. We learn that Eve came from man's ribs. Not his feet, for she was not to be walked over, nor his head, because she was not to boss him about. She came from the bones closest to his heart. This speaks much of the relationship that exists between a man and a woman in marriage.

Through Eve's sin, death entered the world, but at the cross both sin and death were conquered.

Genesis 3 tells us how the woman was deceived by the serpent. Satan still uses deception today

Today, through a woman, a perfect salvation has been provided for a sinning race. God did not come to the garden to punish Adam and Eve. He came to rescue them. To show them how much he loved them. Because of God 's mercy, Adam and Eve did not remain stuck in their sin. Same with us today we should not remain stuck in our sins.

Just as Eve lost her focus by listening to the serpent, we too can lose our focus by letting our life become overcrowded and confused. Is there anything that weakens your commitment to keep Christ first in your life? How can you minimize the distraction that threatens your devotion to him? By hearing God 's voice and coming out of our hiding. Hiding is when we harden our hearts to His word.

AMEN

SARAH. Genesis 11:29 – 23:19 By Elder Victor Amungwa

Who was Sarah?

-Sarah was the wife of Abraham

- the name Sarah stands for PRINCESS or woman or Rank

- She was a very beautiful woman both physically and in heart

- She had a sense of humor

- Sarah did not have children with his husband Abraham but they live a happy life until she was turning 90

- Sarah gave birth at the age of 90 years

- even the tomb in which Sarah was laid is still venerated today

I choose Sarah as a special mother for today because

- She was a woman of Rank

- She was a woman with a heart of Gold

- She was loving, respectful, and caring

- She was the very epitome of a virtuous woman

- She later in life became a living testimony of the goodness of Yahweh

I chose to talk about this mother Sarah today so as to

- show us that God can do the impossible

- she was in a situation where there was no hope

- all hope was lost like for real

- all that was needed for a child to be conceived was lost

- she was no longer interested in sex; her period had long stopped and she was already 50 year plus above menopause

- all these indicated a practical impossibility but when God came around, the tables turned and the impossible became possible with living proof being the birth of Isaac.
 - I come this morning to let mothers and all others know that God works in mysterious ways.
 - That he is about coming to rescue you from that situation where you find yourself.
 - All you need to do is not to give up
 - Have faith and maintain that faith even if situations become as oblique as what.
 - The bible records that at the age of 90, Sarah had to learn how to knit baby socks
 - And she did that in faith though she knew that child bearing was practically impossible for her at that age.
 - Sarah had faith and maintained it
 - She had love for her husband despite the situation even with the coming of Ishmael in to the scene
 - She was steadfast
- The lessons that we can learn from this Sarah's story is that we have to*
1. be steadfast,
 2. show perseverance,
 3. let by- gons be by- gons
 4. Trust and hope in the lord and above all
 5. Remember that God's time is the best.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!!!!

Sermonette on Naomi by Elder Danielle Owusu

Your talk should not be over 2 minutes! Things to include in your talk:

* Who this character? The person I chose as a representation of a mother is Naomi. Naomi was the wife of Elimelech, mother of Mahlon and Chilion, and mother in law to Orpah and Ruth.

* Why is this mother special? Naomi is special because of her godly example and the relationship she had with her daughter in law Ruth. In Ruth 1:15 and 16 Naomi tries to convince Ruth to go back to her

people and her gods since Ruth's husband was dead and Naomi had no more sons. Ruth pleaded with Naomi to allow her to return with her. Ruth says your people will be my people and your God will be my God. Ruth gave up her people, culture, and gods to follow Naomi and the God Naomi served. Naomi was example of the Titus 2 woman. She assisted in arranging Ruth's marriage to Boaz. The lessons we can learn from Naomi, cultivate God centered, committed relationships and be godly examples to those around us so they will want to follow the God we serve.