



Confidence After We Fail

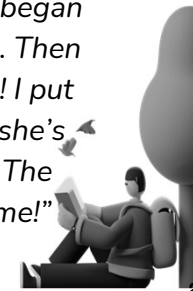
Family Discussion

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So Sarai, Abram’s wife, took Hagar the Egyptian servant and gave her to Abram as a wife. ... But when Hagar knew she was pregnant, she began to treat her mistress, Sarai, with contempt. Then Sarai said to Abram, “This is all your fault! I put my servant into your arms, but now that she’s pregnant she treats **me** with **contempt**. The LORD will show who’s wrong—you or me!”

Gen. 17:4-5 (NIV)



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Discuss

Sarai and Abram mistakenly tried to “help” God. This was a failure in many ways.

- List some common ways in which people fail and end up with unanticipated problems.
- How might God work to turn something bad into something good?
- How does God’s blessing give you confidence that He can use you even if you fail.



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Pray



- Thank God for accomplishing good things in your lives, even when you made a wrong choice initially.
- Ask God to give you wisdom to make good choices.
- For a current difficult situation (no matter what the cause) tell God you are trusting Him to turn what is bad into something that is good.

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