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He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he who receives a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever in the name of a disciple gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water to drink, truly I say to you, he shall not lose his reward.

Mtt. 10:41,42



Sarah laughed to herself, saying, "After I have become old, shall I have pleasure, my lord being old also?"... Is anything too difficult for the LORD? At the appointed time I will return to you, at this time next year, and Sarah will have a son."

Gen. 18:12,14

Biblical barrenness and unlikely babies

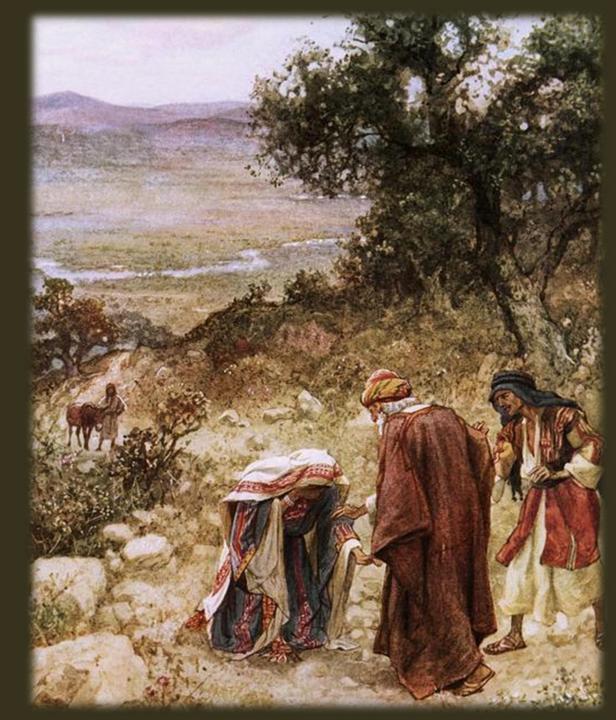
Sarah
Rebekah
Rachel
Mrs. Manoah
Hannah
Shunammite
Elizabeth

- ⇒ Jacob
- ⇒ Joseph
- ⇒ Samuel
- unknown
- John the Baptist



He said to his
Father, "My head,
my head." And he
said to his servant,
"Carry him to his
mother."

Then she said,
"Did I ask for
a son from my
lord? Did I not
say, 'Do not
deceive me'?"



- 2. But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.
- 4. "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they came to Jericho.
- 6. "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on.

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So he entered and shut the door behind them both and prayed to the LORD. .



Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and called to the LORD and said, "O LORD my God, I pray You, let this child's life return..."

People Raised From The Dead in Scripture

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Elijah-----son of Zarephath widow
Elisha----son of Shunammite woman
    -----man falling upon Elisha's bones
Jesus-----Lazarus
    ----son of widow at Nain
    -----daughter of Jairus
    -----Himself
    -----many raised when Jesus dies
Paul-----Eutychus
Peter-----Dorcas
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Who by faith . . . women received back their dead by resurrection;



Hebrews 11:35a