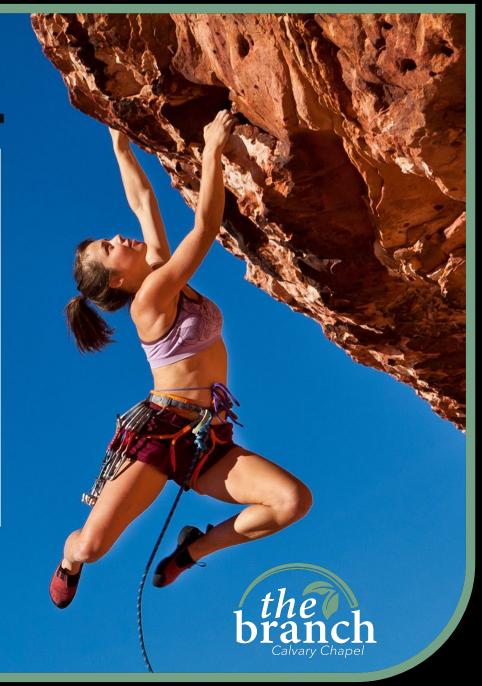
HEBREWS 11-13



CALL
TO THE
WORD

11:1,6,11-19







IEB 11:1,6,11-19

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen... without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.





IEB 11:1,6,11-19



By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised.

Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born as many as the stars of the sky in multitude—innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore.



IEB 11:1,6,11-19



These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced *them* and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland.



IEB 11:1,6,11-19



And truly if they had called to mind that *country* from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return.

But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly *country*. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.



IEB 11:1,6,11-19



By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, of whom it was said, "IN ISAAC YOUR SEED SHALL BE CALLED," concluding that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense.

INTRO





Faith is the only way to enter in to a right relationship with God.

INTRO

Abel taught us how to worship by faith.

Enoch taught us how to walk by faith. Noah taught us how to work by faith.





Pilgrimage of Faith Patience of Faith

INTRO / REVIEW

Power of Faith
Perseverance of Faith
Proof of Faith



THE
POWER
OF FAITH







"By Faith, Sarah..."

THE

POWER

OF

FAITH

HEB 11:11



1Pe 3:5-6

Gen 21:6

Faith comes down to judging that God is faithful and able to keep His promises.



Mar 9:23-24

THE
POWER
OF
FAITH

"What do you mean, 'If I can'?" Jesus asked. "Anything is possible if a person believes." (NLT)





THE
POWER
OF

FAITH



- God promised that all things will work out for good for His children (<u>Romans 8:28</u>)
- God promised comfort in our trials
 (2 Corinthians 1:3–4)
- God promised new life in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17).
- God promised every spiritual blessing in Christ (Ephesians 1:3).



THE Power

OF

FAITH

- God promised to finish the work He started in us (Philippians 1:6).
- God promised peace when we pray (Philippians 4:6–7).
- God promised to supply our needs (Matthew 6:33; Philippians 4:19).
- Jesus promised rest (Matthew 11:28–30)





THE Power

OF

FAITH



- Jesus promised His disciples power from on high (Acts 1:8).
- Jesus promised eternal life to those who trust Him (John 4:14).
- Jesus promised that He will return for us (John 14:2–3).





THE
POWER
OF
FAITH

HEB 11:12

"It is the power of faith that accomplishes the impossible. God makes promises that cannot be fulfilled on a human level and fulfills them to those who believe in Him." (MacArthur)

Gen 15:5; 22:17; 32:12



THE PERSEVERANCE OF FAITH







The eye of faith

THE

PERSEVERAN

CE

OF

FAITH HEB 11:12-13 "The eye of faith sees what the natural human eye cannot see. They took their natural eyes off the temporal things of this earth and raised them to beyond the horizon to heaven."





THE

PERSEVERAN

CE

OF

Living by faith is easier when we remember that this world is not our home.

We're strangers, 'xenos', a foreigner.







THE PERSEVERAN

CE

OF

FAITH HEB 11:13-16 "Since they had such an elevated aim, he was willing to speak of himself as their God and Friend. They acted as became his friends, and he was not ashamed of the relation which he sustained to them." (Precept Austin)



THE
PROOF
OF FAITH

HEB 11:17-19







Heb 11:17 By faith Abraham, when he was *tested*

THE

PROOF

OF

FAITH

HEB 11:17-19

Test: (peirazo) make trial of, for the purpose of ascertaining quantity, or what he thinks, or how he will behave himself

Gen 22:1 Now it came to pass after these things that God <u>tested</u> Abraham...



Test – (nasah): to assay, prove



Gen 22:1-9

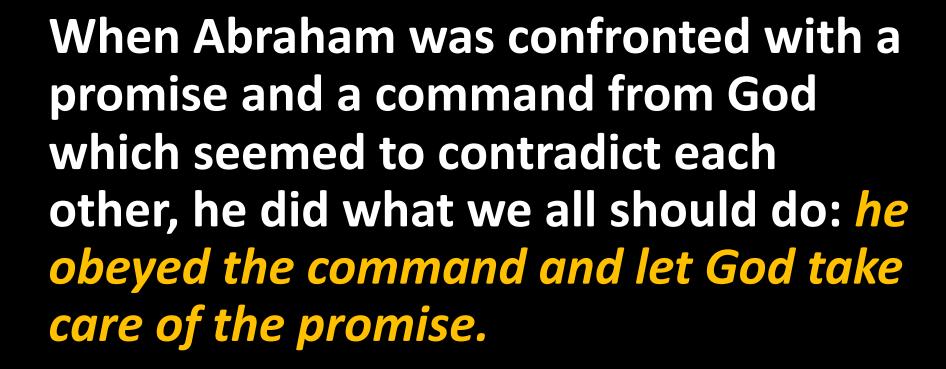
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FAITH

HEB 11:17-19





REFLECTION



HEBREWS 11-1:







REFLECTION

Too easy to talk the talk and not walk the walk. We need to examine ourselves.

Ps 139:23-24

Jer 17:10

1Co 10:12





Tests Cause Growth

WHY Testing's? "God is interested in ever increasing faith because it's who you are in the arena of faith that will affect how He will use you in the next billion years to come." (Courson)





Tests Cause Growth

WHY TESTING'S? God is interested in increasing your faith.

1Pe 1:6-9



HEBREWS

