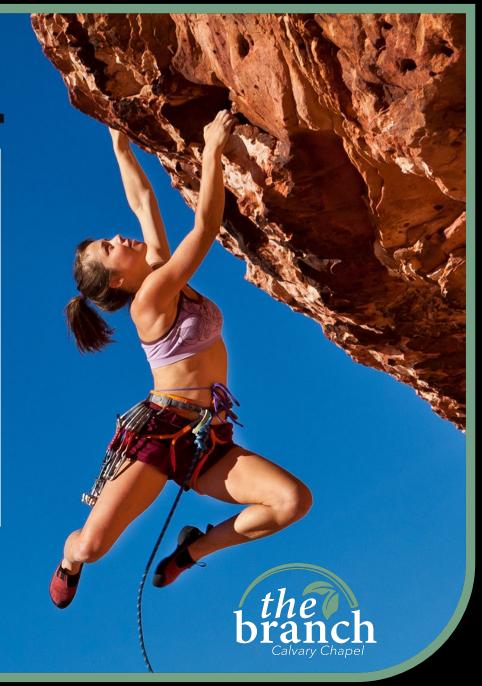
HEBREWS 11-13



HEB 11:1,6,8-10







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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.





By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.

HEB 11:1,6,8-10





HEB 11:1,6,8-10

By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.



INTRO





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

INTRO

Abel taught us how to worship by faith.

HEB 11:9-10

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





First worship, then walk, then work... always in that order.

INTRO

When we come to Abraham, the whole thing comes together. We get the full picture.

HEB 11:9-10



THE
EREGRINATION
OF FAITH



HEB 11:9-10





V8: Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out...

THE

PEREGRINATI

ON

OF

FAITH

"Abraham, while being called, was obeying."

"...while the words were still hanging in the air, he started packing..."





THE

PEREGRINATI

ON

OF

FAITH



"How strong is this faith? Strong enough that when he has no idea where he's going and he is leaving everything familiar and everything he knows, he never even bothers to think about it. Not knowing, not contemplating, not giving his attention to, not musing, or fixing his thoughts, rather obedience that is so speedy, so consuming that it has no thought of anything other than obedience." (MacArthur)



God's calling to Abraham was audible, objective and specific.

THE

PEREGRINATI

ON

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FAITH HEB 11:8



Rom 10:17

Gen 12:1-3

Heb 11:13

"Abram looked to God's promises waiting for them on the horizon of eternity." (Swindoll)



Act 7:2-5

THE PEREGRINATI

ON

OF

FAITH



This was Stephen's reply: "Brothers and fathers, listen to me. Our glorious God appeared to our ancestor Abraham in Mesopotamia before he settled in Haran. God told him, 'Leave your native land and your relatives, and come into the land that I will show you.'



Act 7:2-5

THE PEREGRINATI

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So Abraham left the land of the Chaldeans and lived in Haran until his father died. Then God brought him here to the land where you now live. "But God gave him no inheritance here, not even one square foot of land. God did promise, however, that eventually the whole land would belong to Abraham and his descendants—even though he had no children yet. (NLT)



Why Abraham?

THE

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FAITH HEB 11:8



Josh 24:2

Eph 1:4-5

Rom 4:3

"He was a man deep in sin, amongst a people deep in sins... He was a man in the pit of iniquity, a man immersed in idolatry and God singles him out and gives him a command to test whether he will believe in Him."



God chose Abraham because he was willing to follow Him without reservation.

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FAITH

When you receive Christ... when you commit your life to Him at His call... you make a break with your former life... you make a break with the world, you make a break with familiar, sinful patterns.



Mat 16:24



The NT has a lot to say about us separating ourselves from the World.

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FAITH HEB 11:8 1Jn 2:15

Gal 6:20

Jas 4:4

1Pe 1:13-16

Col 3:2



THE
PATIENCE
OF FAITH

HEB 11:9-10







Dwelt (sojourn) to live alongside as a foreigner

THE
PATIENCE
OF
FAITH

HEB 11:9-10



"Lay up your treasure in heaven, spend your - your life and your assets and your powers on things that have the ability to show up in the future in the millennium and the eternal new heaven and new earth. Work for the real rewards, not for the ashes of this earth. And I say ashes because it's going to disintegrate in a holocaust of fire." (Macarthur)



Eze 48:35 ... and the name of the city from that day shall be, (Jehovah Sham) The LORD is there.

THE
PATIENCE
OF
FAITH

HEB 11:10



"If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth." (Col 3:1-2)

REFLECTION







True faith rests on the clear revelation of God.

Gen 12:4, 7

Rom 10:17

REFLECTION





Col 3:2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

REFLECTION





Be Patient and Persevere

Heb 10:36-38

REFLECTION

For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise: "FOR YET A LITTLE WHILE, AND HE WHO IS COMING WILL COME AND WILL NOT TARRY. NOW THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH...



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