

The Hall of Faith

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Hebrews 11 is a chapter of God’s Word that can be described as “The Hall of Faith,” as many of the Old Testament heroes are commended for their CONFIDENCE in the Lord and His promises.

Hebrews 11:1-2

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for.

Faith TAKES HOLD of the saving grace of God and is itself a GIFT of the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:3

No one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 2:8-10

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Faith points to Jesus and says, “*For all...I TRUST HIM!*”

ABEL – Faith to GIVE YOUR BEST TO GOD

By faith Abel still speaks, even though he is dead. **Hebrews 11:4**

ENOCH – Faith to LIVE A GOD-PLEASING LIFE

Without faith it is impossible to please God. **Hebrews 11:6**

NOAH – Faith to NOT FOLLOW THE WORLD

(Noah) became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith. **Hebrews 11:7**

ABRAHAM – Faith to GO WHERE GOD LEADS

For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. **Hebrews 11:10**

SARAH – Faith to RELY ON GOD’S FAITHFULNESS

(Sarah) considered Him faithful who had made the promise. **Hebrews 11:11**

Hebrews 11:16

They were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.

Luke 12:31

Jesus said, “But seek His kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.”