



*Good Morning ElbridgeCC Followers!*



# FAITH

Hebrews 11

# WHAT IS FAITH

Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for. By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

Heb 11:1-3 (NIV)

# ALL THE WAY

But my righteous one will live by faith. And if he shrinks back, I will not be pleased with him. But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who believe and are saved. Heb 10:38-39 (NIV)

This warning is for all who don't come all the way to faith in Christ.

# NOT ALL THE WAY

You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that and shudder. James 2:19 (NIV)

As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead. James 2:26 (NIV)

Many Jews came close to believing in Jesus but fell back on their religion, trying to earn their salvation.

# GOD HAS ALWAYS SAVED BY FAITH

We live by faith, not by sight. 2 Cor 5:7 (NIV)

See, he is puffed up; his desires are not upright, but the righteous will live by his faith.

Hab 2:4 (NIV)

Faith in God is trust in Him and His promises, based on a true understanding of who He is, as revealed in the Bible.

Faith is part of the human existence.

# NATURE OF FAITH

Assurance of things hoped for.

These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised.

Heb 11:39 (NIV)

Faith is trusting in God's promises about the future that as yet are not realized.

Now faith is being sure of what we hope.

# CERTAIN OF THINGS NOT SEEN

Instead, 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.

Heb 11:16 (NIV)

Certain of what we do not see.



# FOUNDATION

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him. Heb 11:6 (NIV)

What is His reward? Promises fulfilled.

# REAL FAITH BRINGS CONVICTION

By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the king's anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible.

Heb 11:27 (NIV)

# CONVICTION BRINGS OBEDIENCE

So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. So make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in it and coat it with pitch inside and out."

Gen 6:13-14 (NIV)

# CONVICTION FOSTERS ACTION

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the people had marched around them for seven days.  
Heb 11:29-30 (NIV)

# FAITH CAUSES US TO ACT ON GOD'S WORD

By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

Heb 11:7 (NIV)

# A FAITHFUL LIFE IS EVIDENT

In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. But someone will say, You have faith; I have deeds. Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do.

James 2:17-18 (NIV)

# PUT GOD FIRST

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment.

Matt 22:37-38 (NIV)

# WALK WITH GOD

Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking and envying each other. Gal 5:24-26 (NIV)



# WAIT PATIENTLY

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. 2 Peter 3:9 (NIV)

Pray and believe. Don't focus on yesterday.

# DON'T TRUST OUR FEELINGS

We live by faith, not by sight. 2 Cor 5:7 (NIV)

By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter. He chose to be mistreated along with the people of God rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a short time. He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward. Heb 11:24-26 (NIV)

# THANK GOD IN ADVANCE

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Phil 4:6-7 (NIV)

# GOD SPOKE AND BY FAITH WE BELIEVE

By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

Heb 11:3 (NIV)

# OUR FAITH - A TESTIMONY

By faith Noah Heb 11:7 (NIV)

By faith Abel Heb 11:4 (NIV)

By faith Enoch Heb 11:5 (NIV)

By faith Jacob Heb 11:21 (NIV)

All the people mentioned in the book of Hebrews 11 were, through their actions by faith, a living testimony to God.



*God Bless you throughout this week!*