



Welcome To Open Bible Hour

Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!

Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an in-depth study of the book of Hebrews.

If you have a prayer request, for which you would like us to pray, please fill out a prayer sheet at the back table and give to Lyle.

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**“BY FAITH BELIEVERS IN THE O.T. ACCOMPLISHED THE WILL
OF GOD FOR THE GLORY OF GOD ”**

Hebrews 11:30-40

April 6, 2014

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Joshua/Israel – trusted God’s Word by blowing ram’s horns and shouting, which caused the walls of Jericho to collapse.

Rahab – courageously sided with the people of God and hid the spies from the King of Jericho.

Gideon – with great faith in the power of God, though vastly outnumbered, defeated the Midianites and the Amalekites with trumpets and pitchers with torches inside of them.

Barak – along with Deborah believed God for the defeat of Jabin, the Canaanite king, whose great commander was Sisera, though they were greatly outnumbered in soldiers and equipment.

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Samson - a judge of Israel who trusted God for his incredible strength to defeat Israel's enemy, the Philistines.

Jephthah- a judge of Israel that believed God for the defeat of the Ammonites, an enemy of Israel.

David - courageously placed his trust in God and brought down the giant Goliath and the Philistine army.

Samuel - believed God's Word and fought against the idolatry, immorality, and corruption within Israel.

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Prophets - courageously and confidently proclaimed the Word of God in the midst of a carnal, idolatrous, and ever increasingly sinful people of God.

“conquered kingdoms” As Joshua, who subdued the seven Canaanite nations; and David, who subdued the Moabites, Syrians, Ammonites, and Edomites.

“performed acts of righteousness” - Samuel, David, Isaiah, Jeremiah, etc.

“obtained promises” - Joshua and Caleb, who, through their faith in God, obtained the Promised Land. Phineas also, who, for his act of faith in slaying Zimri and Cosbi, got the promise of an everlasting priesthood; and to David, who, for his faith and obedience, obtained the kingdom of Israel, and had the promise that from his seed the Messiah would come.

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“shut the mouths of lions” – Daniel, David, and Samson.

“quenched the power of fire” - Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego.

“escaped the edge of the sword” - Moses, who escaped the sword of Pharaoh; Elijah escaped from Jezebel; and David from Saul.

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“women received back their dead by resurrection” -

- child of the widow of Zarephath – Elijah(1 Kings 17)

- Shunammite woman's son – Elisha (2 Kings 4)

35 and others were **tortured**, not accepting their release, so that they might obtain a better resurrection;

36 and others experienced **mockings** and **scourgings**, yes, also **chains and imprisonment**.

37 They were **stoned**, they were **sawn in two**, they were **tempted**, they were **put to death** with the sword; they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, **being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated**

38 (men of whom the world was not worthy), **wandering** in deserts and mountains and caves and holes in the ground.

39 And all these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised,

40 because God had provided something better for us, so that apart from us they would not be made perfect.

HALL OF FAITH



Brought the right sacrifice

Walked with God

Preached and Built an Ark

Obedied by leaving and sacrificing

Conceived at 90

Looked forward to God's Promise

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Made right decisions

Brought down walls

Hid the spies

Were warriors

acts of righteousness

Received back their dead

Suffered persecution

Hebrews 11 Summary

1. Where is faith exercised?

1. By men, by women.

Abraham, Moses, David Sarah, Rahab.

2. By those at the top (King), by those at the bottom (harlot).

David, Rahab.

3. In our worship of God.

Abel.

4. Over a long length of time.

Enoch, Abraham, Moses.

5. Living in an evil and perverse society.

Noah, Prophets.

6. In times of crises.

Sarah, Moses, Abraham.

7. When persecuted.

Noah, Prophets, Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, Samson, many O.T. believers.

8. When in danger.

Noah, Moses, Rahab, Joseph.

9. In helping other believers.

Rahab, Moses, Prophets.

10. When asked to endure hardship.

Abraham, Joseph.

11. When asked to do the impossible.

Noah, Abraham, Joshua, Gideon, David, Samson.

12. When looking toward the future.

Moses, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Noah, Abraham.

13. When living in poverty.

Many O.T. believers.

14. When taking the side of God and not the world.

Moses, Noah, Rahab, Abraham, Prophets.

15. When speaking boldly for the truth in the midst of apathy and opposition from the people of God.

Moses, Prophets.

II. Faith is always based on God's Word.

- Faith in God's direct commands.
- Faith in God's sovereignty.

III. Faith is seen in 3 postures:

1. Faith **rests** in the promises of God.
2. Faith **moves** forward boldly and courageously because of confidence in God.
3. Faith **risks** all for the glory of God.