

WALKING BY FAITH IS...

Use the following notes in your Growth Group or for further personal study of today's message. We hope these will enrich and deepen your walk as you study God's Word.

GETTING STARTED: (Read Hebrews 11:1-18)

1. What was said in the sermon that got your attention, raised a question or had an impact on your life?
2. In regard to your faith, are there areas of your life that you struggle with or lose sleep over?

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3. What in your life do you not see, but trust God for? Can you think of areas in your life where you need more of this (Hebrews 11:1)?
4. How has God called you to obedience even though you did not understand the reasons why? Can you think of areas of your life where you need more of this (Hebrews 11:8, 27)?
5. How do faith and giving go together? How have you grown or do you need to grow in this area (Hebrews 10:4)?
6. How do you develop the kind of persistence that keeps you focused on God, when you don't feel like it (Hebrews 11:27)?

APPLICATION:

7. In what areas of your life do you need to better exercise faith?

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The subject of faith can be a pretty deep subject. Most of us claim to have it, fewer can define it, and even fewer still can specifically point out biblical characteristics of faith. Today's message will not only define traits of faith, but will assist each of us in measuring ourselves against them. So, before we can actually commit any particular area of our life to be more faith-filled, let's explore the Bible's teaching on what walking by faith really looks like.

1. **Believing when I do not see it** - (Hebrews 11:1). "God not only has a purpose for my challenge, he is a purpose for me through it all". – Grant Williams (*suffering from a degenerative eye disease*).
2. **Obeying when I do not understand it** - (Hebrews 11:27). All the saints mentioned in Hebrews 11 stepped out in faith when they didn't understand.
3. **Giving when I do not have it** - (Hebrews 10:4). "I've committed more than I had for the Verde project, and God has already provided." –A faith-filled Verde attendee.
4. **Persisting when I do not feel like it** - (Hebrews 11:27). Like the single mom who gets up every day, praising God even on days that seem impossible to the rest of us.

Application

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NEXT WEEK: 11/12 • Hebrews 12– Demonstrations of Faith
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