

¹ Now faith is the **substance** of things hoped for, the **evidence** of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1 (ESV) Now faith is the **assurance** of things hoped for, the **conviction** of things not seen.

Hebrews 11:1 (NIV) Now faith is **being sure** of what we hope for and **certain** of what we do not see.

Hebrews 11:1 (NASB) Now faith is the **assurance** of *things* hoped for, the **conviction** of things not seen.

² For by it the **elders** obtained a *good* testimony.

Hebrews 11:2 (ESV) For by it the **people of old** received their commendation.

Hebrews 11:2 (NIV) This is what the **ancients** were commended for.

Hebrews 11:2 (NASB) For by it the **men of old** gained approval.

³ By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

Psalms 33:6 (NKJV) By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.

“God said” Gen. 1:3, 6, 9, 14, 20, 24

⁴ By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks.

Genesis 4:1-8

⁵ By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, *"and was not found, because God had taken him"*; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

Genesis 5:18-24

Genesis 5:22-24 (NKJV) ²² After he begot Methuselah, Enoch walked with God three hundred years, and had sons and daughters. ²³ So all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five years. ⁴ And Enoch walked with God; and he *was* not, for God took him.

⁶ But 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**.

Hebrews 11:6 (ESV) And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God **must believe that he exists** and that he rewards those who seek him.

Hebrews 11:6 (NIV) 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**.

PROBLEM = Romans 1:18-28 & Romans 2:8-9

⁷ By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with **godly fear**, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

“godly fear” **Hebrews 11:7 (ESV)** in reverent fear **Hebrews 11:7 (NIV)** in holy fear **Hebrews 11:7 (NASB)** in reverence

Genesis 6:13-22

Genesis 6:9 (NKJV) This is the genealogy of Noah. Noah was a just man, perfect in his generations. Noah walked with God.

2 Peter 2:5 (NKJV) and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, *one of eight people*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly;

⁸ 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.

Genesis 12:1-4

⁹ 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;

¹⁰ for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.

¹¹ By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised.

Genesis 17:17-21, Genesis 21:1-7

¹² Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born *as many* as the stars of the sky in multitude--innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore.

Romans 4:17-22

¹³ These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced *them* and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

¹⁴ For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland.

¹⁵ And truly if they had called to mind that *country* from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return.

¹⁶ But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly *country*. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.

¹⁷ By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten *son*,

Genesis 22:1-18, James 2:21-24

¹⁸ of whom it was said, "*In Isaac your seed shall be called,*"

¹⁹ concluding that God *was* able to raise *him* up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense.

²⁰ By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

Genesis 27:27-40

²¹ By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, *leaning* on the top of his staff.

Genesis 48:5-20

²² By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones.

Genesis 50:24-25

²³ By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw *he was* a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king's command.

Exodus 2:1-10

²⁴ By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter,

Exodus 2:11-15 & Acts 7:23-29

²⁵ choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin,

²⁶ esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward.

“reproach of Christ”

“There is much question over exactly what is meant by “the reproach of Christ.” Christ was the focal point of the promise made to Abraham. Any reproach that Moses may have suffered as a result of being a part of the promise might be considered “the reproach of Christ.”

Notes on the Book of Hebrews by W.C. Moseley pg. 132

²⁷ By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured as seeing Him who is invisible.

²⁸ By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, lest he who destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

²⁹ By faith they passed through the Red Sea as by dry *land*, whereas the Egyptians, attempting *to do* so, were drowned.

Exodus 14:1-31

³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were encircled for seven days.

Joshua 6:1-27

³¹ By faith the harlot Rahab did not perish with those who did not believe, when she had received the spies with peace.

Joshua 2:1-22 & James 2:25

³² And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets:

Gideon (**Judges 6:11- Judges 8**) Barak (**Judges 4:4-24**) Samson (**Judges 13-16**) Jephthah (**Judges 11-12**) David (**1st & 2nd Samuel, 1st Chronicles**) Samuel (**1st Samuel 1-16**)

³³ who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

³⁴ quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

³⁵ Women received their dead raised to life again. And others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection.

³⁶ Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment.

³⁷ They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented—

³⁸ of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, *in* dens and caves of the earth.

³⁹ And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise,

1 Peter 1:10-12 (NKJV) ¹⁰ Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace *that would come* to you, ¹¹ searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. ¹² To them it was revealed that, not to themselves, but to us they were ministering the things which now have been reported to you through those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven--things which angels desire to look into.

⁴⁰ God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

... But those of that bygone age could not have been perfected without the advent of our own. Without the coming of the new dispensation, and the Messiah it revealed, those of that old dispensation could not have been **made perfect**. His death not only benefited those of our own age, but was also “for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament” as well (see 9:15) **Hebrews** (Truth Commentaries) pg.408 by Daniel H. King, Sr.

Questions Chapter 11

1. What do we learn about Noah from Hebrews 11, Genesis 6 and 2nd Peter 2?

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2. Who is being spoken of by the phrase, *“and they were not afraid of the kings command”*?
3. Where does it state, *“the worlds were framed by the word of God”* and what does this tell us about the God we serve?
4. How is the faith of Abraham revealed in this chapter?
5. Who is being spoken of by the phrase, *“he pleased God”*?
6. 1st Peter 1:10-12 can be used to help in one’s understanding of which verse?
7. What is impossible?
8. What do we learn about Rehab from Hebrews 11, Joshua 2 and James 2?
9. Who is being spoken of by the phrase, *“of whom the world was not worthy”*?
10. How is the faith of Moses exemplified in this chapter?
11. Who is being spoken of by the phrase, *“he being dead still speaks”*?
12. The statement, *“God having provided something better for us”* is in reference to what?