

Hebrews 11:23-31 By Faith pt. 3 ENCORE

Hebrews 11 has often been called the "Hall of Faith". The chapter is replete with examples of people (Old Testament Hebrews) who lived by faith and how that faith was lived out. We will spend the next two weeks discussing the lives & examples of these real people and how their trust in God impacted the way they thought and lived.

- 1) Read Hebrews 11:23 what did Moses' parents do by faith?
- 2) Read Hebrews 11:24 what did Moses do by faith?
- 3) Read Hebrews 11:25-26 what did Moses choose?
 - a) What did Moses give up?
 - b) Do you think Moses regrets that choice (and exchange) today?
- 4) According to Hebrews 11:27 did Moses fear the king?
 - a) Was Moses more powerful than Pharaoh?
 - b) Why didn't he fear Pharaoh?
- 5) How was faith involved in the Red Sea crossing (Heb. 11:29)?
 - a) How did the Israelites cross over?
 - b) What happened to the Egyptians?
 - c) Why was their experience different?
- 6) How was faith involved in the conquest of Jericho and the Promised Land?
- 7) God commanded the Israelites to do something very odd; they were to break into Jericho by walking around it for seven days. No siege engines, no dirt mounds, no siege walls or long blockade....just walk around the city seven days.
 - a) What might go through your mind if God asked you to do something strange like this?
 - b) Was God's command more difficult than "storm the city"?
 - c) Why is it hard to live by faith when you don't understand what God is doing?
- 8) According to Hebrews 11:31 why didn't Rahab perish in the invasion?
- 9) How would you summarize all of these examples of faith?
- 10) According to Hebrews 11:1-2 what is faith?
- 11) It is clear from this chapter that simple or generic "faith" is not the issue (we all have some measure of faith in something) but rather the *object* of your faith. Who is the only appropriate object of your faith or trust?
- 12) What steps do you need to take this week to grow in trusting the living God?