



Summer Quarter 2021 Theme:
Confident Hope
Unit III. Faith Gives Us Hope

Lesson Titles:
The Examples of Heroes
 (Faith Pathway Bible Studies)
The Meaning of Faith
 (Townsend Press Sunday School
 Commentary)

LESSON 10—August 8, 2021

Devotional Reading: Hebrews 11:32-40

Background Scripture: Hebrews 11; 13:1-19

Print Passage: Hebrews 11:1-8, 13-16

Key Verse(s):

Faith is the substance of things hoped for,
 the evidence of things not seen.
 (Hebrews 11:1, KJV)

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Faith is confidence in what we hope for
 and assurance about what we do not see.
 (Hebrews 11:1, NIV)

► Questions to Consider:

1. What is faith?
2. Who are the elders or ancestors of faith presented in this week's lesson, and why were they chosen?
3. What does the author say to believers about remaining faithful until death?

► Lesson Context:

- The author is writing to presumably a Jewish audience.
- The author explains how to live by **faith**, giving the illustrations of faithful men and women in Israel's history.
- The writer of Hebrews exhorted and encouraged the saints to continue the journey of faith.

► Lesson Aims:

As a result of experiencing this lesson, the participants should be able to do these things:

- Identify the faith contributions of the heroes in Hebrews 11.
- Value the people in your lives who act heroically through faith.
- Grow in your potential to become faith heroes.

► Lesson Outlines/Key Points:

- I. Faith's **Existence** (Hebrews 11:1-3)

Key Point 1: Faith is trust in the unseen.

Key Point 2: God, who is the architect of the universe called the universe into existence out of nothing.

II. Faith's **Examples** (Hebrews 11:4-8)

Key Point 1: It is impossible to please God apart from having genuine faith.

Key Point 2: God wants us to respond to Him in faith and obedience.

III. Faith's **Endurance** (Hebrews 11:13-16)

Key Point 1: This world is **not** the ultimate reward or final destination.

Key Point 2: Faith is believing, trusting, and looking forward to the promises of God.

► **Lesson Summary:**

- Living by faith means trusting God even when one is unable to see the outcome of a situation.
- Share examples of two persons whose faith you have observed both up-close and from a distance. Why do you count them as faithful?
- Trusting God strengthens our witness and drives us to live in ways that please God.

What Do You Think? (These questions are found in this week's Faith Pathway student book.)

1. Do you ever question your faith? If so, how do you overcome? If not, what helps you to remain faithful?

2. Share examples of two persons whose faith you have observed both up-close and from a distance. Why do you count them as faithful?

3. What kinds of thoughts motivate you to remain faithful to God? Share examples that can encourage others to remain faithful.

As a result of this lesson, I will do the following:
