

## Hebrews 11 Outline

### **1A Introduction, vv.1-3:**

- 1B Faith defined, 1:** Now faith is the essence of things hoped for, the conviction of unseen matters.
- 2B General result of the application of faith, 2:** For in these things the elders were approved.
- 3B The benefit of faith in knowing the otherwise unknowable, 3:** We know by faith the worlds were ordered by the word of God, so that the things which are seen came from the unrevealed.

### **2A A faith history of the Old Testament saints, vv.4-31:**

- 1B The faith of Abel and its result, 4:** By faith Abel offered to God a better sacrifice than Cain, through which he was attested to be righteous, the testifying of God upon his gifts.
- 2B The faith of Enoch, and its result, 5:** By faith Enoch was transferred that he might not see death, and he was not found, because God transferred him. For before his transfer it was attested he had become well-pleasing to God.
- 3B Faith principle #1:** Faith is the only way to please God, 6: Now apart from faith it is impossible to please; for it is necessary for the one who approaches God to believe that He is, and He has become the rewarder of those who seek Him out.
- 4B The faith of Noah makes him an heir, 7:** By faith Noah, being warned concerning the thing not yet seen, after being well-disposed prepared an ark for the salvation of his household; through which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.
- 5B The faith of Abraham makes him an heir to the promise of God, vv.8-10:**
  - 1C First stage, going out from Ur, 8:** By faith Abraham obeyed after being called to go out into the place which he was about to receive for an inheritance, and he went out not understanding where he was going.
  - 2C Second stage, sojourn, 9:** By faith he dwelt in a land of promise, as an alien, after dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, fellow heirs of the same promise.
  - 3C The content of Abram's faith, 10:** For he was waiting for a city having foundations, whose designer and creator is God.
- 6B The faith of Sarah results in the perpetuation of the seed, vv.11-12:** 11 By faith Sarah herself received ability to conceive seed, and she gave birth past the normal time, since she regarded the one who promised as faithful. 12 Therefore also from one man was born, and these having become dead, just as the stars of the heavens in number, and innumerable as the sand which is along the shore of the sea.
- 7B A summary of the faith of each one mentioned thus far, vv13-16:**

- 1C The death-pattern of each, 13:** These all died according to faith, not receiving the promises, but after seeing them from a distance, and greeting them, and after confessing that they were strangers and aliens upon the earth.
- 2C The revelation of their faith-words, 14:** For those who say such things reveal that they seek a homeland.
- 3C The never turning back mentality, 15:** And if indeed they remembered that place from which they left, they would have had an opportunity to turn back.
- 4C Their true inner longing, and its result 16:** But now they long for better, that is, heavenly. Therefore God is not ashamed of them, to be called their God. For He prepared a city for them.
- 8B The faith of Abraham at the offering of his son, 17-19:**
- 1C The action of Abraham, 17:** By faith Abraham, being tested, offered up Isaac, and the one who had received the promises offered up his only born,
- 2C The prior promise to Abraham, 18:** toward whom it was said, "In Isaac seed will be called to you,"
- 3C The content of Abraham's faith, 19:** reckoning that also God is able to raise from the dead; from which also he received him figuratively.
- 9B The faith of Isaac, 20:** By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning coming things.
- 10B The dying faith of Jacob, 21:** By faith Jacob while dying blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshipped upon the tip of his staff.
- 11B The dying faith of Joseph, 22:** By faith Joseph, while dying, remembered about the departure of the sons of Israel, and gave commands about his bones.
- 12B The fearless faith of Moses' parents, 23:** By faith Moses after being born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw a well-bred child; and they were not afraid of the king's command.
- 13B The moral faith of Moses, vv.24-26:**
- 1C His refusal, 24:** By faith Moses, having become great, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter,
- 2C The basis in his value of his own people, 25:** after choosing rather to suffer with the people of God than to have enjoyment of swiftly passing sin;
- 3C The basis in understanding the reproach and reward of Christ, 26:** reckoning the reproach of Christ as greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt; For he focused on the reward.
- 14B The fearless faith of Moses, 27:** By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he held steadfast as one seeing the invisible.
- 15B The guiding faith of Moses, vv.28-29:**
- 1C In the Passover, 28:** By faith he did the Passover and the sprinkling of the blood, that the one who obliterated the firstborn might not touch them.

