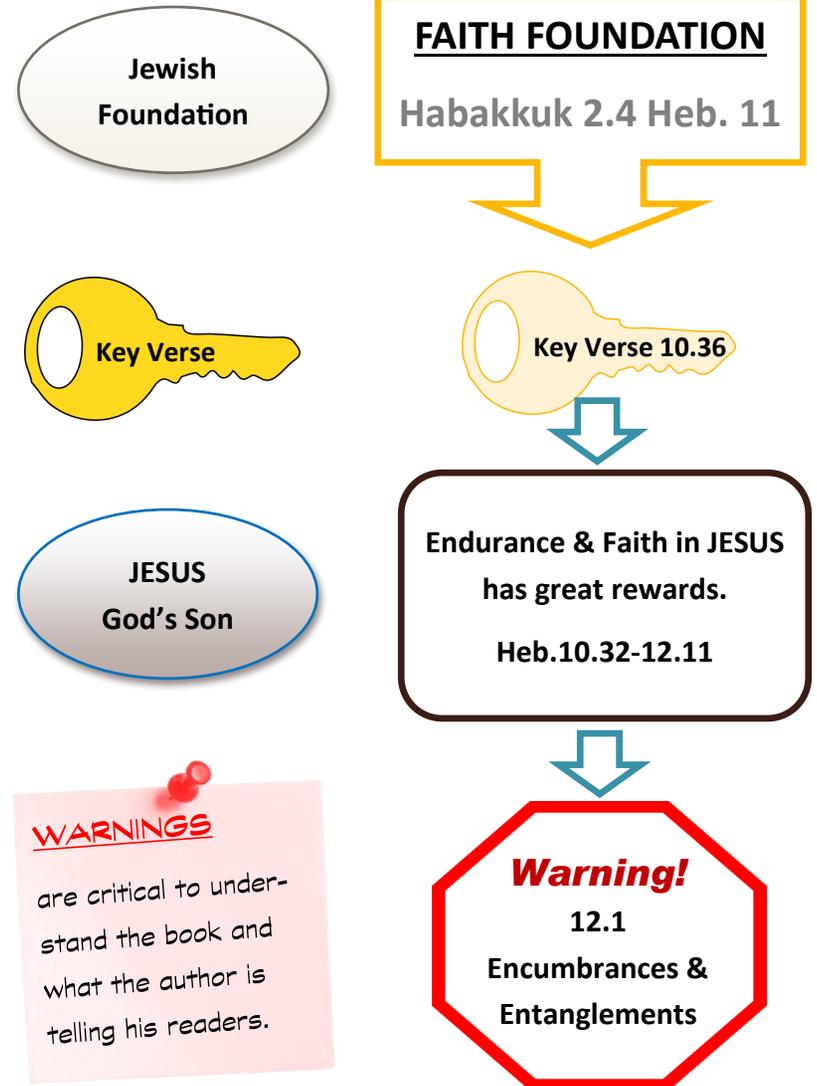


- ❑ Hebrews 11.1 –2 How should these facts shape your faith life?
- ❑ Hebrews 11.6 How should these facts influence your faith life?
- ❑ Hebrews 11.39 How is your faith possibilities better than those of the people listed in Hebrews 11?
- ❑ Making a decisions of personal perspectives, feelings and opinions is **subjective** while making a decision based on hard fact alone is **objective**. Do you think faith is subjective or objective? Why? In making your decision consider the individuals listed in this chapter.
- ❑ Hebrews 11.36 How is faith and endurance linked?
- ❑ NOW: Write out your personal definition of faith.

THE BOOK OF
HEBREWS
 LESSON 6 HEBREWS 10.32-12.11
Jesus - Endurance & Faith



The Commitment to ENDURE!

This section is often seen as the FAITH section of the book of Hebrews. The eleventh chapter is studied separate from the rest of the book by most and is rarely put into the perspective of its original purpose in the book. The deeper understanding this section centers on the call to the Hebrews to remain true to Jesus and to 'ENDURE.' This is possible through faith and the rewards of faith. In this section to be examined endurance is mentioned eight times. (Heb 10.32, 36; 11.25, 27; 12.1, 2, 3, 7) Faith is mentioned 26 times but it is always tied back that faith is an act of endurance. Faith is waiting on rewards that are to come in the future. As you read and study this section the key words of endurance and faith interlock to form the basis for living the Christian life. The writer of Hebrews has shown Jesus is the CREATOR. He is greater than ANGELS, MOSES, JOSHUA and is the NEW HIGH PRIEST bringing a New and Better Covenant to replace the old one. He has challenged them to not turn back or drift away from Jesus. Now he is going to show them how the saints of old were able to remain true and faithful to God. The hope is that the Hebrews, to whom this letter was written, would also remain true to Jesus the one true God and the Creator of everything.

THE CALL TO ENDURE

- ❑ Acts 2.1-11 Many of these to whom the letter is written were believers right after the resurrection of Jesus. Having been present at the birth of the church in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost. This Jewish festival was attended by Jews from all

- ❑ Hebrews 12.3 How should the faith of Jesus effect the lives of believers today?
- ❑ Hebrews 12.4-6 What is 'ONE' reason bad things can happen to good or godly people?
- ❑ Hebrews 12.7-11 Why is the writer of Hebrews reminding these believers of the need for a father's discipline?
- ❑ Why does God discipline believers?

Each believer needs to be able to define faith in their lives. Faith for Noah was different from the faith of Abraham. The faith of Sarah was different from the faith of the woman at the well. Answer the following questions about faith to try and discover how you define faith.

DEFINING FAITH

- ❑ Would you consider your faith experience most like the people in Hebrews 11.32-35 or those in Hebrews 11.36-38? Explain why.

Everything about faith that has been stated up to now is to show the results of faith in different people's lives but it is not the ultimate purpose of a life of faith.

From the following verses what do we know for sure about faith?

- Hebrews 11.1
- Hebrews 11.2
- Hebrews 11.6
- Hebrews 11.39

Seeing what faith does and what it is are very different. The results of faith are often seen as faith. Faith does many things but it is not anything it does. Faith is ultimately JESUS!

JESUS AND FAITH

- Hebrews 12.1 Why are the stories of the lives of those in the Old Testament so important to our faith?
- What **warning** is issued to the believe here?
- Hebrews 12.2 What is the ultimate Goal of faith and how is it obtained?

around the known world. Why was this a good time and place to start the church.

- Acts 2.5 Where were the Jews from who were there on that day?
- Acts 8.1-3 What happened to the Christian believers that forced them to leave Jerusalem?
- How could this be seen as a positive for the Christian message?
- How were early believers treated for following Jesus?

NOTE: These scattered believers are the ones the letter of Hebrews was written to.

- ❑ Hebrews 10.32-34 What is the writer wanting them to remember and why?

- ❑ What did the believers have to endure?

- ❑ Hebrews 10.35 What is the confidence they are to hold on to?

- ❑ Why is it important for them to do this?

- ❑ Hebrews 10.36 What will it take for the Hebrews to get “what was promised?”

- ❑ How should this effect our daily lives?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.30-31 What was the results of faith here?

- ❑ How are these two different and the same?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.32-35 What are the key results of faith mentioned here?

- ❑ What do they all have in common?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.36-38 What are the key results of faith mentioned here.

- ❑ What do they all have in common?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.39-40 How is the results of their faith still different from the ultimate promise of faith?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.14-16 What is the ULTIMATE goal of the faith of all believers?

- ❑ How is this different than how most people view faith?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.17-19 How does faith shape the actions and attitude of Abraham?

- ❑ Hebrews 11. 20-22 How does faith effect how people speak about the future?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.23 How did faith influence the decisions of Moses' parents?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.24-28 What is the KEY to the faith of Moses that made all his decisions possible?

- ❑ Hebrews 11.29 Why were the Hebrews successful and the Egyptians not?

- ❑ Hebrews 10.37 What does he tie this promise to that they should all be ready for?

- ❑ Hebrews 10.38 What are the two side of the coin here?

- ❑ Hebrews 10.39 How does the writer prepare the reader to consider faith as the way to endure?

- ❑ What is the ultimate goal of all followers of Jesus? (Note this is important to understand what is to follow.)

FAITH EXAMINED & EXPLAINED

- ❑ Hebrews 11.1 What is the purpose or goal of a person's faith? (Careful you may need to change your answer later. This statement is here not as an answer but as a teaser to make the reader want to go deeper.)

From this statement what do we know for sure about faith?

Hebrews 11.2 What can faith do for the individual?

Here the writer is going to lay out a vast picture of what faith has done in the lives of believers but he will not define faith but will show the results of faith.

Hebrews 11.3 What action does the believer have to believed happened?

Why can this only be seen or understood as an act of faith?

Hebrews 11.4 What was the result of Abel's faith?

Hebrews 11.5 How was Enoch's faith demonstrated and what was the result of his faith?

Hebrews 11.6 What three KEY facts do we learn about God here?

Hebrews 11.7 How was faith demonstrated in the life of Noah?

Hebrews 11.8-10 How was Abraham's faith rewarded in a physical way?

How was his faith rewarded in a spiritual way?

What was the key objective of Abraham's faith?

Hebrews 11.11-12 What were the results of Sarah's faith?

Hebrews 11.13 How are the earthly results of faith different than the PROMISE of faith?