



TWCC Sermon Connection Outline and Notes - "Family Faith - Part 2"

Father's Day - Sunday, June 21st, 2020

Read Hebrews 11:1 - 12 (NKJV)

REVIEW OF THE LESSONS ABOUT FAITH AND FAMILY

- **Lesson #1:** We learn in this beautiful passage of Scripture that _____ is: (1) a _____ force; (2) Faith is God's _____ power and (3) Faith is the _____ of things hope for and the evidence of things not seen.
- **Lesson #2:** We also see that God uses His Faith to: (1) _____, (2) _____, (3) _____ and (4) _____ things. We are to use our faith similarly!
- **Lesson #3:** Like _____, FAITH is a relationship. This is how we all should approach faith. Faith is a long-term _____ with God built over our lifetime. This _____ with God is with His _____ and _____ for our lives and His _____ of faithfulness as our Heavenly Father in and through our lives.
- **Lesson #4:** FAITH IS THE _____ OF A BELIEVER! **Hebrews 10:38a (NKJV)** - *"Now the just shall live by faith..."*
- **Lesson #5:** FAITH IS A _____ TENSE KIND OF THING. When you begin to embrace faith, it changes a lot about you: Spiritually, Emotionally, Mentally and Conversationally
- **Lesson #6:** FAITH FIRST _____ US. FAITH STARTS _____ BY CHANGING YOU! The reason your problems follow you is because you have not allowed your faith to _____ you.
- **Lesson #7:** THE QUICKEST SIGN OF GROWING FAITH IS _____. IF YOU AREN'T UNCOMFORTABLE, YOUR FAITH IS MOST LIKELY _____.
- YOU WILL NEVER GET MORE OF GOD WITHOUT GOD GETTING MORE OF YOU! FAITH IS HOW WE CAN _____ THOSE HEAVENLY BLESSINGS HERE ON EARTH. **Hebrews 11:1 (NKJV)** - *"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."* FAITH WILL TAKE WHAT IS _____ IN HEAVEN AND WILL CAUSE IT TO BE _____ ON EARTH.

TESTIMONIES OF THE ELDERS

Hebrews 11:2 - 3 (NKJV) - *"² For by it the elders obtained a good testimony.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."*

- **Hebrews 11:4 (NKJV)** - *"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."*
- Our first elder of faith is _____, who exemplifies faith through his _____. **Read Genesis 4:1 - 5.** Three parts of Abel's worship help us unpack the story of his faith.
- The second elder of faith demonstrates faith to us in his _____ with God. Enoch's example shows a valuable lesson about faith. Faith isn't just about what you're **saying**; it's about what you're **doing**.
 - **YOUR WALK OF FAITH MUST BE LOUDER THAN YOUR LIPS. IT MUST SHOW UP IN YOUR LIFE!**

- Our third elder of faith who demonstrates the next progression of our list is Noah. **Hebrews 11:7 (NKJV)** - "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."
- Noah demonstrates the _____ OF FATH. Noah shows us in four ways how faith is not a well-kept secret. YOUR FAITH SHOULD MAKE YOU _____ DIFFERENT AND _____ DIFFERENTLY.

- If we can learn to **WORSHIP** like Able, to **WALK** with God like Enoch, and to be a **WITNESS** like Noah, we will be well on our way to building up our faith. We will be on our way to building and leaving a legacy of **FAITH** and a **HERITAGE** of Faith in and for our **FAMILY**.

BY FAITH, ABRAHAM

Read Hebrews 11:8 - 11 (NKJV)

- If faith were a school, Abraham would be the principle because of the volume of information we get about him. We often call Abraham the "Father of Faith."
- There are two things we know about Abraham:
 - **(1)** _____ - We know where Abraham begins and where his life starts.
 - **(2)** _____ - We know God's promise to Abraham about where his life will end.
- If you study and dissect the life of Abraham, you will see there are five main _____ he learns as he travels his **JOURNEY** of faith.
- **(1st) The _____ of Faith** - Genesis 12 and 13 focuses on the fact that Abraham realizes FAITH is a life, a lifestyle, no just a moment.
- **(2nd) The _____ of Faith** - In Genesis 14 and 15, Abraham learns if he was going to walk in faith, he was going to get attacked.
 - Walking in faith involves _____. The devil doesn't throw up his hands and say, "Oh, you're a person of faith. I give up." Abraham had to learn _____ management.
 - **1 Timothy 6:12 (NKJV)** - "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses."
 - This verse outlines that there is a _____ to Faith. However, it is a _____ fight and the only fight we are in. We are not to fight people or even demons. We have to _____ getting into strife, envy, hatred, bitterness, resentment, ill-will, any animosity, unforgiveness and getting offended at people. We are to _____ the devil, demons and evil spirits.
 - Remember, Faith is _____, but Faith is a _____!
 - Faith works by and through _____ (The Love of God (**Galatians 5:6**)) - No _____, no _____, no _____, no _____ to **refuse** the temptations to stay in PRIDE, arrogance and the evil tendencies of relational and social sin nor any power to **resist** the devil. **James 4:6-7 (AMPC)** - "6 But He gives us more and more grace (power of the Holy Spirit, to meet this evil tendency and all others fully). That is why He says, God sets Himself against the proud and haughty, but gives grace [continually] to the lowly (those who are humble enough to receive it). 7 So be subject to God. Resist the devil [stand firm against him], and he will flee from you."
 - All that God has given will go un-enjoyed and not experienced unless and until we rise up in _____ and _____ it. **Read Hebrews 11:5 - 6 (NKJV)**
 - God is not pleased when we are not _____ and He is not pleased when we are not _____. **1 John 5:4 (NLT)** - "For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith." Remember, our **FAITH Level**, determines our **VICTORY Level!**
 - We **OVERCOME** by our **FAITH** Level in God and His Word. *Religion tells and teaches the just shall live by doing and acting good.* We should live and do good, but it shouldn't be to earn merits, points or credits with God or deserve our love, healing or blessing from God.
 - **WHEN YOU HAVE A HEART FULL OF FAITH YOU CAN CHANGE SITUATIONS IN YOUR HOME WITH YOUR SPOUSE AND CHILDREN.**
 - We must allow the Word of God to _____ us so that everything we do is _____ faith, _____ faith and _____ Faith!
 - Walking and Warring by Faith doesn't involve _____. Living by _____ entails and involves _____!
 - The only option to _____ fighting the good fight of faith is to be _____ and _____. It is our _____ to fight or not - the good fight of faith!

- **2 Timothy 4:7 (NKJV)** - "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."
- **(3rd) The _____ of Faith** - As we watch Abraham journey on in faith in Genesis 16 and 17, we see the _____ involved for faith to have its effect. God promised Abraham he would father nations, and not only were there no nations, there was still no son. We watch Abraham _____ and _____ and yet still keep his faith. **Read Romans 4:11 - 21 (KJV)**
- **(4th) - The _____ of Faith** - In Genesis 18 and 19, we see that there is some _____ involved in faith. Abraham has to _____ to save his family from the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, and his faith was seriously put to _____.
 - Too, our faith must be accompanied by _____ - coresponding acts of obedience (**James 2:14 - 17**).
 - We should put our _____ to _____ before we go to work. Send your faith out before you go out.
- **(5th) - The _____ of Faith** - In Genesis 20 through 22, Abraham has an opportunity to WORSHIP God and to give God the glory. He shows us how _____ is a priority.
 - **Genesis 21:33 (NKJV)** - "Then Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba, and **there called on the name of the LORD, the Everlasting God.**"
 - **Genesis 22:5 (NKJV)** - "And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the lad and I **will go yonder and worship**, and we will come back to you."
 - Like that of Abel, we learn that the life and walk of faith involves and entails WORSHIP. Faith teaches us how to _____ God.
 - Worship involves: **(1) Sacrifice (2) Surrender (3) Service (4) Sowing** and **(5) Singing** (Praise and Thanksgiving).
- **Within Abraham's journey of faith, we find five skills to master for SUSTAINING FAITH.**
 - **(1) _____ to what God says.** This is how Abraham's journey started. He listened when God started talking to him. God speaks to us even today - by His Word and through the Holy Spirit.
 - God's _____ taught or preached is the same as God talk to and speaking to us!
 - **Hebrews 1:2 (NKJV)** - "Has in these last days spoken to us by *His Son*, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds."
 - **Romans 10:17 (NKJV)** - "So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."
 - Hearing is a PRESENT tense word. In other words, it is not a onetime moment to hear what God has said once long ago. If you want faith, you must _____ continuously.
 - **(2) Remember the _____ of Faith.** Hebrews 11 reminds us of stories of faith in people's lives. Every time God does something, remember it. We tend to remember the wrong thing and forget the right thing.
 - Christians don't have memory problems, they just remember the wrong things.
 - Abraham knew this. He built altars and worshipped God each time God proved _____.
 - **OUR FAITH WORKS BECAUSE HE IS FAITHFUL!**
 - **(3) _____ in the Spirit.** Abraham consistently prayed. He set the example for us.
 - God made a _____ with him, and Abraham knew the only way to fulfill the _____ was to stay in touch with God regularly and consistently.
 - **Luke 18:1 (NKJV)** - "Then He spoke a parable to them, that men always ought to pray and not lose heart."
 - **1 Timothy 2:8 (NKJV)** - "I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting."
 - Praying in the Spirit guides us, strengthens our faith, and is a more effective prayer.
 - **(4) _____ close to people of Faith.** Abraham had people around him who were also upright and who also worshiped God. The Spirit of Faith is contagious. Doubt is also contagious. You have the choice. You can be around people who don't believe and don't love God. You will soon find it easy to _____ and easy to cool off in your _____ towards God and others.
 - **Men we need four crazy, radical Faith Friends!** Get yourself around people of high belief they'll inspire you. Don't try and go it alone. We don't need to live isolated and independent and as reclusive Christian believers and Christ-followers. You'll end up _____ from God. **Faith is and should be a team sport!**

