



Use this guide to help your community group engage further with this week's sermon.

By Faith Success & Suffering (Hebrews 11:32-35a)

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Read Hebrews 11:32-35a and discuss these questions:

1. What stood out to you in this passage and sermon, and why?
2. Considering the people mentioned in this passage, what patterns do you notice in the ways God worked through them? What kinds of situations did their faith meet, and what does that reveal about the nature and character of God? (Here's a link to some [cross-references](#) with Blue Letter Bible—click “tools” next to the verse and then “cross-refs.”)
3. Why do you think the author includes both instances of success and suffering in the same list of faith examples? What does this teach us about what faith in Jesus Christ does and does not guarantee in this life?
4. Many people in these verses experienced success and God's deliverance from death. Jesus, though, went through death before resurrection. How does Jesus redefine our understanding of God's power, deliverance, and victory?
5. Verse 34 mentions that these people were “made strong out of weakness. Where does our culture tend to assume we need to become strong before God can work in us and through us? How does this passage challenge that assumption?
6. When we sin, we are often tempted to hide, quit, or believe we are no longer accepted by or useful to God. What does this passage teach us about the difference between perfect faith on our part and perfect faithfulness on God's part? How can this encourage us to respond to our failures with repentance and renewed faith in Jesus?

Pray for one another. How would you like us to pray for you? Consider these:

- To trust in God's faithfulness in both success and suffering
- To persevere in faith in Christ despite our failures and weaknesses
- To see Christ as our true source of strength and hope

Consider singing “[Living Hope](#)” together as you close in prayer.