

## Hebrews: "The Persecuted Church"

Hebrews 11:32-40

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### I. Greatness of faith (vs 32-34)

I Samuel 16:13

### II. Enduring faith (vs 35-40)

1. Some dead raised to life.
2. Some believers were tortured.
3. Some believers endured various trials.
4. Some believers were martyred.
5. Some believers were treated inhumanely.  
Matthew 5:11; Matthew 10:22; Philippians 1:29  
2 Timothy 3:12; I John 3:13

### III. Rewards of enduring faith (vs 39-40)

Romans 1:8

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### LET'S GO DEEPER:

1. How does remembering the promises of God affect the way you live? How do they help you fight sin and strive for holiness?
2. Are you feeling at home in this world? Do you long for comfort in the culture in which you live?
3. How can you better prepare for the day when Christ will return and you will be home in every sense of the word? How can you fight against feeling at home in this world?

4. What does it say of Moses's parents that they hid him in spite of the possibility of retribution from the government? In what ways might we be forced to practice similar acts of faith in our own cultural context?
5. How should God's faithfulness affect how we understand our circumstances? How do those who suffered for their faith encourage you to endure?