

Heb 11:1-6 (read conclusion of **Heb 10:35-39** to get context of Chapter 11)

- Substance Hypostasis: a setting under, that which is the basis of something, assurance, guarantee, confidence
 - Evidence – Conviction based upon evidence presented
1. **Faith that is based on what it sees and how it feels Psa 106:7-25**
 - As long as they could see or feel God doing something, they believed. (**Vs 12**)
 - The moment they didn't see or feel anything, they didn't believe. (**Vs 24**)
 - You may say: I felt God touch me, or I saw God do this or that. That kind of faith is easily defeated and cannot please God, **Psa 78**
 - He established a testimony, but their hearts were not right, and they did not remain steadfast to Him. **Vs 7-11; Vs 34-37**
 - AS soon as the miracles stopped and things got hard, they stopped believing **Vs 40, 56-57**
 - Human faith versus the God kind of faith **Num 13:17-33** (the spies) **Num 14:1-38**
 - What they said is exactly what they got (**Vs 28**), and you will have exactly what you have been saying as well (the 70-year limit was based on this **Psa 90:10**)
 - Joshua and Caleb had a different Spirit (**Vs 24**)
 - God led them through the wilderness to try them and teach them. He wanted them to live by the Word alone, **Deu 8:1-6** (so as not to fall like their fathers) **Matt 4:1-4**
 - YOUR FAITH IS BEING TESTED **Rom 5:1-5** (experience – To be approved after being tried and to pass the test) **Jas 1:3-4; 1Pe 1:7-8**
 - We have been given that same Spirit of Faith that believes and speaks **2Cor 4:13; Mk 11:22-23**
 2. **Faith based on nothing but God's Word**
 - They saw, they felt, but they didn't base faith upon that **2Pe 1:16-21**
 - To walk in the light is to walk in the faith of the testimony of God **1Jn 1:1-7**
 - We need to build our faith on nothing but God's spoken Word, **Matt 7:24-27**
 3. **The right kind of faith is counted for righteousness**
 - Abraham believed God, and His faith was counted as righteousness, **Rom 4**
 1. The faith of Abraham
 - a. Abraham believed when everything was contrary
 - b. He considered not one thing but only that God was able to do what He said
 2. The Faith of the People
 - a. The Children of Israel believed after they saw the miracles, but quit as soon as things contradicted what God said, **Psa 106**

The faith that pleases God is the faith that believes His Word, not the faith that is the result of seeing His miracles, **Psa 106:24; Joh 20:24**