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Series: "Jesus >" - Part 8 of 19
Message: "When Faith Seems to Fail Us"

Text: Hebrews 11:32-40

Big idea

When faith seems to fail us, we must examine our perception, and make sure it aligns properly with God.

A major misperception in our relationship with God

Moralistic Therapeutic Deism

Moralistic - God's biggest desire for me is to be a _____
_____ person.

Therapeutic - God also wants me to _____
in life.

Deism - If I am being morally good (mostly) and feeling good,
then God is largely _____ in my life...until I
need or want something.

Keeping a right perception of faith

Faith is trusting God enough to do what He says.

A right perception of faith remembers these truths:

1. Sometimes faith leads us _____ hardship.
2. Sometimes faith leads us _____ hardship.

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- Acknowledge I have embraced one or more elements of *Moralistic Therapeutic Deism* and ask God to help me break out of that.
- Ask God to build stronger faith in me. A faith that trusts Him enough to do what He says in any circumstance.
- Seek out a trusted, Godly friend to help you as your faith is leading you *through* a hardship, not away from it.
- Read Hebrews 12:1-3 in preparation for next week.

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