DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



Overview

Sermon: Greater Faith. Bottom line: Live by faith, not by sight.

"Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see." - Hebrews 11:1 (NIV)

The book of Hebrews is a deeply theological book. When we struggle to connect with some of its message we are relieved when we get to chapter 11. Chapter 11 puts into practice what the book prioritizes, faith in Jesus. Chapter 11 is written to let us witness how faith allows believers to see what is unseen.

Stories of faith are still being written. Hebrews 11 is incomplete. For those who trust in Christ, faith continues for the history of the world. When the timeline has reached its end all the people of faith will celebrate their heavenly reward together. Each will have contributed to God's story because of what God has done through them. We all together with these "heroes" can see what God has promised through faith and become perfected as one.

Where do you see yourself in God's story? Where can you use more faith? Even though you have yet to finish the race of life, how can you choose like the people in Hebrews 11 to live by faith, not by sight?

Discussion

- 1. What do you consider to be heroic? Describe a heroic person or a situation where you have seen heroism?
- 2. Read Hebrews 11. Hebrews 11 is called the Hall of Fame of Faith and contains what some claim to be "Heroes of Faith." Who is you favorite Biblical hero? Explain. Which heroes of faith from Hebrews 11 do you most identify with or are the most inspiring to you? Why?
- 3. How have you been able to hold on to faith in hard times and crises? Would you consider holding on to faith in God through hardships and crises heroic? Why or why not? Who gets the credit for heroism? What do you think God might say to you regarding your persevering faith?
- 4. From Hebrews 11. How can faith be described as seeing the unseen? What do you need to see through the eyes of faith that is yet unseen?

Application

- 5. Are you being tempted to live by sight and not by faith? Explain.
- 6. In what part of your life can Jesus help you to live by faith, not by sight. Describe what it would look like to live that way. Pray, asking God to make it so. Pray over one another for God to grant you an extra measure of faith in your time of need.

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