Sermon Questions Hebrews 11:1-6

This week we discussed the passage in Hebrews known as the *Hall of Faith* or *God's Honor Roll*. Hebrews 11 helps us to comprehend the significance of faith in the life of a believer. Understanding and applying faith in our life pleases God and unleashes His favor upon us. The challenge with faith is the ability to believe it before we see it. In our world of uncertainty, we are often taught to see things before we believe them. God wants us to trust Him FIRST and then we will see the result of our faith. This takes spiritual discernment and practice so that we can grow in this discipline. Faith is not only an essential ingredient in the life of a believer but is the key to growth. Studying this passage will unlock opportunities for you to grow as a believer.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Faith is the Key Hebrews 11:1-6

Faith firmly believes...

In what cannot be <u>seen</u> with great <u>hope</u> (1)

Your <u>personal witness</u> matters (2)

God's Word is trustworthy and authoritative (3)

Applying God's Word is necessary (4-5)

Seeking God pleases Him and results in rewards (6)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it HERE. After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email info@bravechurch.online and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. Why is it important to believe BEFORE we see a result? What are we called to believe? Why is the Word of God essential if we are going to practice our faith?

- 2. Why is the order of FACTS-FAITH-FEELINGS so important? Why must truth (facts) come before trust (faith)? How important is it to know what we are trusting? Why must faith come before our feelings? How does this approach often differ from the "emotional-centric" world we live in?
- 3. What does it mean to walk by faith and not by sight? Why does it take practice to walk in faith? How does faith differ from just following our instincts or insights? How important is knowing the Word of God to practicing faith?
- 4. What is the assurance of things hoped for? Why should a person of faith have hope? Why should a person of faith be assured that what he is believing will come to pass? What is the conviction of things not seen? How sure should a person of faith be for what they are believing? How does this understanding of faith differ from most of the world operates? Why is this significant?
- 5. Why does your personal witness matter? Why should you be more concerned about your own personal faith than that of another person or organization? How has God always responded to faith? Why does He approve of those who are faithful? How significant is it that God has always responded positively to faith in both the Old and New Covenant?
- 6. Read 2 Timothy 3:16; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Isaiah 40:8; John 17:17; John 5:39-40; Luke 9:26. What do these Scriptures teach us about God's Word?
- 7. How trustworthy is God's Word? What does it mean we can trust His Word? How reliable is His Word? How many errors are in the Word? If His Word is trustworthy then how should we read God's Word?
- 8. How authoritative is God's Word? What does it mean that His Word is authoritative? What part of God's Word is myth or suggestive? If His Word is authoritative then how should we read and study His Word?
- 9. Is Genesis 1 trustworthy and authoritative? Who created everything? In how many days did God created the universe? How were humans created differently than everything else in God's creation? How many genders did God create? How many races of people did God create? If God created 1 race and 2 genders in 6 days then why do so many *Christians* balk at that authoritative truth?
- 10. Why is applying God's Word every bit as important as hearing God's Word? What happens if we are just hearers and not doers of God's Word (James 1:22)? What happens if we have faith but no works (James 2:17)?
- 11. How did Abel demonstrate his faith in worship differently than Cain (Genesis 4:3-5)? How was Abel's offering one of sacrifice? How did Abel desire the worship of the Lord differently than his brother? How has your worship been a sacrifice? What has your worship cost you? Is your worship a routine or do you bring your best to the

- Lord? What lessons can you learn from Abel? What keeps you from sacrificing your best for Jesus in worship? How should worship be a weekly priority for you?
- 12. What can we learn about Enoch and his desire to walk with the Lord (Genesis 5:21-25; Jude 14-15)? How was he known by those around him? What did God do so that he wouldn't experience death? How is your walk with the Lord? What do you discuss with Jesus? Have you ever shared all your heart with Him? What lessons can you learn from Enoch? What keeps you from making Jesus the priority of your relationships?
- 13. How important is it that we seek God? Why does seeking God please God? If this is true then why do so many people think that faith is passive? Does God really reward faith? How? How do you need to be seeking God now?
- 14. What is your greatest take-a-way from this week's message? What do you need to APPLY in your life right now?