

LESSON 11

FAITHFULLY HIS

HEBREWS 11:1–40



1 List the names of some people you trust.

2 Why do you trust them?



Read Hebrews 11:1–40 and the following notes:

- ☐ 11:1 ☐ 11:3 ☐ 11:6 ☐ 11:13–16 ☐ 11:32–35 ☐ 11:32–40
☐ 11:35–39 ☐ 11:39, 40

3 Why do you think this chapter is referred to as the “Hall of Faith”?

4 In your own words, what is faith (11:1)?

5 How did the people profiled in this chapter show their faith (11:13–16, 33–38)?

6 Why were they willing to trust God (11:14–16, 35)?

To encourage the first-century believers, the author of Hebrews reminded them of their tremendous heritage of faith. The men and women he listed had no guarantees of human reward and, in fact, often suffered terribly for their obedience. Yet they still trusted God and lived by faith. They were convinced that God had something better for them—if not in this life, then surely in the next. We have much more evidence of God’s wisdom and love than they did (including Jesus, God’s Word, and even their examples), and we usually suffer much less. We have all we need to trust God today. How could we possibly doubt God’s goodness?



7 How does a person demonstrate complete trust in God?

8 What motivated the men and women listed in Hebrews 11 to believe God?

9 The men and women in Hebrews 11 were not perfect. What were some of their weaknesses and mistakes?

10 What does God promise those who trust him?



11 In what ways is our life similar to the lives of those mentioned in Hebrews 11?

12 In what ways is our life different from the lives of those listed in Hebrews 11?

13 What evidence of faith is there in your life now?

14 What evidence do you have that God can be trusted?

15 What does God ask of you that will take faith to accomplish?



16 Often we hold back from trusting God with certain areas of our life. What areas do you need to turn over completely to God?

A What evidence is there that God does not promise us heaven on earth (11:13–16, 34–38)? How might you need to adjust your expectations of God? What part does suffering play in living by faith?

B What three acts of faith did God commend Abraham for (11:8–12, 17–19)? What do his actions show about his belief in God? What was the basis for his trust?

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