

Jesus Christ in Hebrews 11

Faith- I. Belief, trust, confidence

1. Confidence, reliance, trust (in the ability, goodness, etc, of a person; in the efficacy or worth of a thing; or in the truth of a statement or doctrine).

I. Jesus was a man of faith (**Heb 11:6 c/w Joh 8:29 c/w Mat 3:17**).

A. Jesus was both man (**1Ti 2:5**) and God (**Joh 1:1, 14**).

B. Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen (**Heb 11:1**).

1. As God, Jesus did not exercise this kind of faith, in that God sees all things throughout all time (**Rom 8:24 c/w Pro 15:3; Psa 90:2; Isa 46:9-10**).
2. Jesus, being fully human as well as fully God, was made in the likeness of men (**Phi 2:6-8**) and was made like unto us (**Heb 2:16-18**) and was subject to all the temptations that we are (**Heb 4:15**).
3. In His humanity he displayed the ultimate example of faith by going to the cross to save his children God gave Him (**Heb 2:9-14**) saying "I will put my trust in him" (**v.13**).
4. Jesus believed and trusted the word of God that had promised not to leave His soul in hell, nor suffer Him to see corruption (**Act2:27; 31**).
5. It is evident that Jesus did not simply go to the cross without a concern, in that he prayed to God with tears to save Him from it, if were possible (**Mat 26:39; Heb 5:7**).

C. Our eternal salvation is totally dependent on the faith of Christ.

1. By the faith of Jesus Christ, we are justified from sin (**Gal 2:16**) and we now "live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved [us], and gave himself for [us]" (**Gal 2:20**).
2. We were made righteous by the faith of Christ (**Phi 3:9; Rom 3:22-25**).

II. By faith, Jesus did many of the same things that the O.T. saints did.

1. By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain (**Heb 11:4**).

1. By faith, Jesus offered a more excellent sacrifice than Abel (**Heb 12:24 c/w Eph 5:2; Heb 9:14; Heb 10:12-14**).

2. Like Abel, Jesus obtained witness that He was righteous (**Luk 23:47**).

i. By His resurrection, Jesus showed that He was righteous because sin and death had no claim on Him (**Rom 6:23 c/w Act 2:24; Rom 6:9**).

ii. By His resurrection, Jesus also showed that we are righteous and justified (**Rom 4:25**).

Justified- Made just or right; made or accounted righteous; warranted; supported by evidence

iii. Jesus was made sin for us (**2Co 5:21**) and if He would have left even one of our sins unpaid for, then he would have remained dead in that grave forever because the wages of sin is death (**Rom 6:23**).

iv. This is the reason that it is said that if Christ is not raised then we are yet in our sins (**1Co 15:17**).

B. By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death (**Heb 11:5**).

Translate- 1. 1.a" a. trans. To bear, convey, or remove from one person, place or condition to another; to transfer, transport; *spec.* to remove a bishop from one see to another, or a bishop's seat from one place to another, and, in Scotland, a minister from one pastoral charge to another; also, to remove the dead body or remains of a saint, or, by extension, a hero or great man, from one place to another.

1. Jesus was likewise translated to heaven (**Mar 16:19**) to die no more (**Rom 6:9**).
2. Before His translation, Jesus, like Enoch, had this testimony, that he pleased God (**Joh 8:29; Mat 3:17**).
3. He could not have done that without faith (**Heb 11:6**).

C. By faith Noah prepared an ark to the saving of his house (**Heb 11:7**).

1. God prepared a body for Jesus (**Heb 10:5**).
2. Jesus then prepared His body to be ready to suffer to save us by fulfilling all righteousness all scripture concerning Himself (**Mat 3:13-17; Luk 24:27; Act 13:29**).

Prepare- 1. a. trans. To put beforehand into a suitable condition for some action; to set in order previously for some purpose; to get ready, make ready, put in readiness; to fit out, equip.

3. His body went through hell on earth to the saving of His house, which is the church (**Eph 5:25 c/w 1Ti 3:15 c/w 1Pe 2:5**).
4. Just as Noah condemned the world by his actions (**Heb 11:7**), so did Jesus (**Joh 12:31-32; Joh 3:19**).

Condemn (v) - 1. a. trans. To pronounce an adverse judgement on; to express strong disapproval of, censure, blame.

4. But there is no *condemnation* to them that are in Christ Jesus (**Rom 8:1**).
5. We became the heirs of righteousness by Jesus' faith (**2Co 5:21 c/w Rom 3:21-22**).

D. By faith Sara was able to conceive a child in her old age (**Heb 11:11**).

1. In the same way that Sara was able to bring forth a child for her head (Abraham) which was humanly impossible, Jesus was able to bring and present children to His head (**1Co 11:3**) which was humanly impossible (**Mat 19:25-26; Heb 2:10-13 c/w 1Pe 3:18**).

E. By faith Abraham offered up his only begotten son (**Heb 11:17**).

1. By faith Jesus, who was God's only begotten son, offered up Himself to God (**Heb 9:14**).

2. Just like Abraham, Jesus likewise believed the word of God and accounted that God was able to raise him from the dead (**Psa 16:10 c/w Act 2:27,31 c/w Mat 17:22-23**).

F. By faith Moses was hid after his birth by his parents (**Heb 11:23**).

1. Jesus was likewise hid by his parents after his birth (**Mat 2:13-15**) because of the order of a wicked king (**Exo 1:15-16, 22; Mat 2:16**).

2. By faith, Jesus also chose to suffer affliction rather than enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season (**Heb 11:25 c/w Mat 4:8**).

i. By faith, Jesus chose to be obedient (**Rom 16:26**) to God, obedient even unto death (**Phi 2:8**).

ii. Jesus could have done what His flesh wanted to do and let the cup pass Him (**Luk 22:42**).

iii. By His obedience, many were made righteous (**Rom 5:19**).

3. By faith Jesus kept the passover by being our passover (**1Co 5:7 c/w 1Pe 1:19**).

i. Just as God passed over the houses in Egypt that were covered with the blood of the passover lamb, God will pass over His people who were elected unto the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ, our passover (**1Co 5:7 c/w 1Pe 1:2**).

G. By faith Jesus gave up his life by a sacrificial death like Samson and by it destroyed his enemies (**Heb 11:32; Jud 16:28-30 c/w Joh 19:30; Heb 2:14**).

H. By faith Jesus, like the prophets, spoke the word of God to us (**Heb 11:32; Heb 1:1-2**).

I. By faith Jesus subdued kingdoms (**Heb 11:33**) by setting up a kingdom that would consume all other kingdoms of the earth (**Dan 2:44 c/w Mar 1:14-15 c/w Luk 22:29-30 c/w Heb 12:28**).

J. By faith Jesus obtained promises (**Heb 11:33; Heb 6:12 c/w Act 2:33-36; Gal 3:16**).

K. By faith Jesus was tortured (**Heb 11:35 c/w Joh 19:1-3**) and did not accept deliverance (**Joh 18:10-11; Joh 19:10-11**).

1. By which He obtained the best resurrection (**Heb 11:35 c/w Rom 4:25 c/w 1Co 15:17; Rom 6:9**).

L. By faith Jesus had a trial of cruel mockings (**Heb 11:36 c/w Mat 27:29-31**) and scourgings (**Mat 27:26**).

13. Jesus was tempted (**Heb 11:37; Mat 4:1-10; Heb 4:15**).

1. He was slain (**Act 2:23**).

2. He was destitute (1. Abandoned, forsaken, deserted) (**Mat 27:46**).

3. He was afflicted (**Isa 53:4**).

N. Of whom the world is not worthy (**Heb 11:38**).

III. Therefore seeing what a great man of faith Jesus Christ was, let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the author and finisher of our faith...(**Heb 12:1-4**).

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