



Outline - Sunday, March 2, 2014

Sermon Title: The Life of Saving Faith

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:1-14

1. The *Nature* of faith:

(Defined) confidence, assurance, evidence, certificate of promise...

A right response to the promises of God

- a. Assent
- b. Fidelity/allegiance
- c. Volitional/obedience—Rom 16:25

The Father the Object/Christ the Promise/Faith the principle (Spirit)

The Word declared—Rom 10:17

The Mind receiving—2 Cor 4:4-6

The Heart responding—Ps 27:7-8/Jer 29:11-14

“A pattern produced”

Bring out the witnesses.

2. The *model, pattern, and life* of faith: vs 4-11 (*By Faith*)

Heb 6:12/1 Tim 1:16/1 Cor 4:17/Heb 10:38

Lived (by) out of, source, ground, cause of the *movement*
(Abel to Samuel) vs 32

Faith points to Christ – the witness of God – by the character and calling of life: sacrifice, service, suffering, humility, exaltation, etc.

Descending/ascending/before/beyond or after (types).

Examples: 17 expressed names, many others in general.

From Abel (vs 4) to Samuel (vs 36)

3. The *individual race*: Heb 12:1

- a. Run
- b. Stay in your lane
- c. Finish

Running, an analogy of obedience to the gospel: 1 Cor 9:14, 26/
Gal 5:7/Phil 3:3-14

Staying in your lane is a principle of specific calling: unique, personal, individual service to Christ.

4. The *final breath of faith*: vs 18

Died (in) a triumph/Testimony—Rev 14:13/Ps 116:15

The end of life for the believer is as glorious as the beginning when lived by faith. GOD rewards it, with his presence, peace, and angels. Luke 16:22/Ps 37:37, 34

5. The motivation for finishing: Heb 11:36-39/Heb 3:14

a. “Christ finished”—John 19:30

b. “Christ finished, for us”—1 Pet 3:18

c. We finish by Him—Jude 24:25

He came, He ran, He won, and He is at the finish line waiting for us! Heb 12:1