

Sermon Questions

Hebrews 11:7-22

This week we highlighted Hebrews 11:7-22 and discussed the challenges to faith. Many times, when we are encouraged to grow in our faith our motivation wanes due to challenges that appear. Because the Christian life is not automatic it is imperative to be aware of the challenges that will occur once we begin to take steps of faith. Knowing the challenges on our path help us to navigate properly with the Lord, which also keep us from being surprised. The enemy of your soul hates faithfulness and so he uses these challenges to keep us from experiencing God's best. May this teaching open your eyes to the some of the challenges that you will face so that you can be an overcomer.

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

The Challenges to Faith

Hebrews 11:7-22

A challenge to faith involves...

Being the minority that reverences God (7)

Hearing clearly without clarity (8-10)

Believing the impossible (11-12)

God's timing and God's way (13-19)

Living for a legacy (20-22)

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. How was Noah the minority in his generation? What was he called to do for 120 years? How faithful was he as a preacher and a builder? What was the result of his faithfulness to God?
2. How many people were saved under Noah's ministry? With only 8 people being saved was his ministry considered a success? How frustrating might it have been for

Noah to preach for 120 years and see nobody outside of his family ever repent and turn to God?

3. How are you going to live as the minority in this world in your reverence for God? What challenges are presented when you live completely for God in your home? School? Work? Neighborhood? Clubs? Teams? Etc.? How comfortable are you being the minority? Why is a great local church important and necessary when you are living as the minority in the world?
4. What does it mean to hear clearly without clarity? When God clearly talks to us what does He want us to do? Why does God NOT provide perfect clarity in all things right away? How does clarity come?
5. What does it mean that God provides enough clarity for the next step? What does it mean that God provides enough wisdom for you to remain dependent? What does it mean that God directs us uniquely so that we cannot plan every move?
6. How have you been hearing the Lord? What step of faith has he been prompting you to make? Is there something you need to stop doing, start doing or start doing differently? Who in your life do you trust to tell what God is showing you?
7. What does it mean to believe the impossible? Why as a Christian should we believe the impossible? What makes it difficult to believe the impossible? How have you been taught in your life to NOT believe the impossible? How have you been taught in the church NOT to believe the impossible?
8. What impossibility should you begin to trust God for presently? What makes trusting God for this impossibility a good thing? How can you begin to pray differently for this situation?
9. Why should we pray for the salvation of others? For the healing of others? For the deliverance of others? Does this mean God saves, heals and delivers everybody? Then why should we pray and trust for these things?
10. Why is it important to trust God's timing and God's ways? How does his timing often differ from ours? How do the ways of God often differ from ours? Why should we trust Him?
11. Can you think of a situation where God didn't answer in the timing and way that you wanted, but it actually turned out better? If God's timing and ways are better than ours, why do we have a difficult time trusting Him?
12. What does it mean to live for a legacy? How is this different than just leaving money or possessions for our posterity? How is God's vision for our lives greater than what God does in and through our lives? What does it mean to live for God until we see Him face to face?

13. How is a God-given vision greater than what He personally does through you? How does God want to involve other people in your vision now? How does God want to involve other people in your vision even after you are gone? If Jesus Christ returned while your vision was still being accomplished would you be excited to see Him or bothered that your vision wasn't realized? Will you ever see the fulfillment of your God-given vision in your lifetime?
14. Which of these five challenges resonates the most with you right now? How can you be an overcomer?
15. What do you need to personally apply right now in your life as a result of this teaching?