

"BUILDING A LIFE OF FAITH!"

Sermon Series: *Building A Great Life*

Hebrews 11:6

"Without faith it impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe he exist and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him."

-Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)

"Build lives on the foundation of your holy faith."

-Jude 1:20

FAITH IS...

1. BELIEVING when I don't see it.

"Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see."

-Hebrews 11:1

FAITH IS....

2. OBEYING when I don't understand it.

"It was by faith that Noah built and ark to save his family from the flood. He obeyed God who warned him about something that had never happened before."

-Hebrews 11:7 (NLT)

"It was faith that made Abraham obey when God called him and go out to a country God had promised him. He left his own country without knowing where he was going."

-Hebrews 11:8 (TEV)

FAITH IS...

3. GIVING when I don't have it.

"It was faith that made Abel's offering to God a better sacrifice than Cain's. Through his faith... God approved of his giving."

-Hebrews 11:14 (TEV)

NOTE: *Story recorded in Genesis 4:1-5

"Because of their great joy...they gave even more than they could afford."

-2 Corinthians 8:2-3 (TEV)

"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, but whoever sows generously will reap generously...And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others."

-2 Corinthians 9:6,8 (NIV/NLT)

FAITH IS...

4. PERSISTING when I don't feel like it.

"It was by faith that Moses left Egypt and was not afraid of the king's anger. He held to his purpose like a man who could see the invisible."

-Hebrews 11:27 (TEV)

FAITH IS ...

5. THANKING God before I receive it.

"By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the people had marched around them for seven days."

-Hebrews 11:30 (NIV)

"When you pray and ask for something, believe that you have received it and you will be given what you ask for."

-Mark 11:24 (TEV)

FAITH IS...

6. TRUSTING if I don't get it.

"They were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised. God had planned something better for them."

-Hebrews 11:39-40 (NIV)

HOW GOD BUILDS MY FAITH:

"Faith comes by hearing the Word of God.."

-Romans 10:17 (NIV)

"These trials are not only to test your faith...and your faith is far more precious to God than mere gold...it will bring you much praise and honor on the day of his return."

-1 Peter 1:7 (TLB)

I NEED TO WORK ON...

BELIEVING when I don't see it

PERSISTING when I don't feel like it

OBEYING when I don't understand it

THANKING God before I receive it

GIVING when I don't have it

TRUSTING if I don't get it