

Jesus: God's Final Word

Faith Is...

Hebrews 11:1-12

Bridge: The Necessity of Faith

We are commanded in Hebrews 10:22 to "_____ " to God.

Christ Jesus has done all that is required for us to be able to do this as our _____ and perfect _____.

But we will never draw near to God without _____. That is our _____ to all that God has done for us in Christ. (Heb. 11:6)
_____ we do without it is acceptable to God. (Rom. 14:23)

And this faith must be _____, or else it is _____. (Heb. 10:39)

Getting "faith" right ... what is it?

Faith *isn't* ...

Faith *is* ...

"... a belief-and-behavior commitment to Jesus Christ, the divine-human Lord, who came to earth, died for sins, rose from death, returned to heaven, reigns now over the cosmos as his Father's nominated vice-regent, and will reappear to judge everyone and to take his own people into glory, where they will be with him in unimaginable joy forever." (J.I. Packer, Taking God Seriously)

"Faith is assured that what is hoped for will become a reality. It is convinced that the unseen promises of God will be fulfilled." (Thomas Schreiner, Hebrews, Evangelical Biblical Theological Commentary)

"Faith communicates the essence of hope." (R.C. Sproul, What is Faith?)

We Are Not the First to Take This Journey – Five Faith Case Studies:

Abel → Faith is _____.

Enoch → Faith is _____.

Noah → Faith is _____.

Abraham (1) → Faith is _____
_____.

Sarah → Faith is _____ and staking my whole life on that great truth.

Abraham (2) → Faith is _____ and its power to change *everything*.

Finally,

Faith in God ____ ...

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