

The present generation of faith is to take responsibility for the future faith of the next generation.

"...When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Luke 18:8 NIV

Will there be faith in my family?

Will there be faith in the lives of my children, grandchildren, or great-grandchildren?

Will there be faith in my church?

Will there be faith in my heart?

The choices we make today can have profound consequences tomorrow.

Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

**Hebrews 11:1 NIV** 

Faith is believing God is who He says He is.

Faith is believing that what God says is right is best.

Faith is believing God will do what He promises He will do.

Faith is obeying when you don't want to.

Faith is staying in when it would be easier to drop out.

Faith is organizing your life around who God is and what God has said.

# This is what the ancients were commended for.

Hebrews 11:2 NIV

By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

Hebrews 11:3 NIV

And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

**Hebrews 11:6 NIV** 

All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth.

**Hebrews 11:13 NIV** 

Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment.

Hebrews 11:36 NIV

They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated—

**Hebrews 11:37 NIV** 

the world was not worthy of them.

Hebrews 11:38 NIV

These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised,

Hebrews 11:39 NIV

since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

Hebrews 11:40 NIV



Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, **Hebrews 12:1 NIV**  fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Hebrews 12:2 NIV** 

Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

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