

Sermon: Foundation of Faith

Hebrews 11:1-6

Hebrews 11:7-12

Revelations 21:1-8

What is the foundation of faith?

- **Hebrews 11:1-6**
- The foundation of faith is God!
- Faith is based on God's faithfulness to His Word and His righteous character
- Faith is a living and working relationship with God!
- Faith is decision to trust God, live by His Word and do His will.

The greatest disaster in life is not sickness or poverty or suffering or death. The greatest disaster is unbelief. Jesus marvelled at their unbelief! **Mark 6:1-6**

What is the greatest Hope of believers?

- Heavenly rest, **2 Corinthians 5:8**
- Rapture/Resurrection, **1 Corinthians 15:51-58**
- Heaven on earth, **Revelation 21:1-8**

The worst thing that can happen to any person is not physical death. The worst thing is eternal damnation, **John 3:16, 1 Corinthians 15:19**

- Those who don't have a living continuous faith in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour will perish.
- You will not perish in Jesus' Name!

Faith gives substance to Hope, translates Hope into physical realities and brings Heaven down to earth!

Faith starts with God, comes by hearing the Word, grows by feeding on the Word, and works by acting on the Word (hear it, say it and do it).

The faith of Abel (Genesis 4)

- Abel offered the best of his resources
- Abel offered what God demanded while Cain did it his own way
- There's no faith without knowing what God has said and acting on it

The faith of Enoch (Genesis 5)

- Enoch walked with God for 300 years
- Walking with God involves humility and obedience

The faith of Noah

- Noah believed what God said

- Noah had the 'reverent and worshipful' fear of the Lord
- Noah prepared an ark for 120 years in obedience to the Lord despite having never seen rain

The faith of Abraham

Romans 4:17-22

- Abraham believed God's promise even when he was impotent at 100 years and Sarah barren at 90 year old.
- Abraham considered not the impotence of his body or the deadness of Sarah's womb. He believed and imitated God who calls things which be not as though they were, **Romans 4:17**
- Abraham looked beyond the promise of earthly resources to an Heavenly/eternal home, **Hebrews 11:10**