

## Hebrews 11 #6 “Living Transcendently”

### Outline of the Faith Chapter:

**Hebrews 11:1,6** Description of the life of Faith

**Hebrews 11:2-38** Illustrations of the life of Faith

**Hebrews 11:39-12:1** Exhortation of the life of Faith

**Hebrews 12:2-4** Our Supreme Example of the life of Faith

**Definition:** The Personal Diligent Pursuit of the knowledge of the Eternal Faithful Rewarder with a consistent view towards the Prepared Heavenly Assurances that cause us to transcend overt persecution as well as the mere earthly tendencies our own soulish/selfish existence in this present fallen age.

**Definition:** To walk the walk of faith is to engage in a diligent personal lifestyle pursuit of the knowledge of God that becomes a **focused** gaze (the one thing) and through that communion to have such a love of the truth that we become **fastened** on eternal realities with such living assurances in our understanding (living hope) that we are not moved when things around us that are not eternal are shaken.

**Quote #1:** A “**Growing Vision of the Eternal/Invisible God**” that causes us to embrace the “**More Excellent Value of the Eternal/Invisible Realities**” which causes a radical shift to an “**Other Worldly View**” that transcends this present age.

**Quote #2:** Our Faith is **Fixed on the Person** and **Fastened on the Promise** of His faithfulness to deliver, bringing an ever-increasing clarity which is **Focused on the Picture** of the Eternal Realities

### ***I. By This kind of Faith we like the saints of old:***

#### **A. Understand the Uncomprehensible!**

**Hebrews 11:3** By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible.

#### **B. Offered the Desirable!**

**Hebrews 11:4** By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks.

#### **C. Transcended the Natural!**

**Hebrews 11:5** By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, "and was not found, because God had taken him"; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

#### **D. Obeyed the Incredible!**

**Hebrews 11:7** By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

#### **E. Embraced the Intangible!**

**Hebrews 11:8-10** By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. 9 By faith he dwelt in the land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; 10 for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

#### **F. Accomplished the Impossible!**

**Hebrews 11:11-12** By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised. 12 Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born as many as the stars of the sky in multitude — innumerable as the sand which is by the seashore.

### ***II. By this kind of Faith we like the Saints of old Manifest the Inner life of Faith!***

**Hebrews 11:13-16** These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. 14 For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland. 15 And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had

come out, they would have had opportunity to return. 16 But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.

1. **Possessors of Spiritual Eyes!** ... having seen them afar off
  
2. **Assurance of the Promises!** ... were assured of them,
  
3. **Embracing an Advancing Vision of the Eternal!** ... embraced them
  
4. **Confessing a New Identity!** ... and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth
  
5. **Seekers of the Kingdom!** ... declare plainly that they seek a homeland
  
6. **Desire for the Heavenly Dimension!** But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country.
  
7. **Attaining Friendship with God!** Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.