CHF 13TH NOVEMBER 2020

THEME: LIVING BY FAITH TOPIC: SUMMARY ON THE ACT OF LIVING BY FAITH II TEXT: HEBREWS 11:1-6, ROMANS 10:17, 1 JOHN 5:4

INTRODUCTION

Biblical faith is based on the sure, unchanging promises of the faithful God. He always fulfils His promises. He is completely trustworthy. Living faith is the kind of faith God wants us to have.

This week we will be concluding the summary to our study on the subject of living in faith.

Examples of those who walked by faith

1. Those who have chosen to walk by faith produce generational blessings.

[Prompted] by faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of Joseph's sons and bowed in prayer over the top of his staff. Hebrews 11:21 (AMPC)

Q: What other examples of generational blessings can you give which is a product of Faith?

2. It takes faith to see a future of deliverance in a land of bondage.

It was by faith that Joseph, when he was about to die, said confidently that the people of Israel would leave Egypt. He even commanded them to take his bones with them when they left. Hebrews 11:22 (NLT)

Q: Why is the ability to see important in the arena of faith?

3. There is no sea too great, no mountain too high, no valley too deep for the man who walks by faith.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned. Hebrews 11:29 (NIV)

Q. What is it about faith that makes you defy or act against all odds?

4. Faith can make a wall come down - Jericho fell because of faith.

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)

Q: In the light of the above text does faith always produced the desired result?

5. Faith is the virtue that erases a negative past and gives a future of blessing.

It was by faith that Rahab the prostitute was not destroyed with the people in her city who refused to obey God. For she had given a friendly welcome to the spies. Hebrews 11:31 (NLT)

Benefit of Living in Faith

6. By faith you become a commander in the affairs of this life.

Truly I tell you, whatever you forbid and declare to be improper and unlawful on earth must be what is already forbidden in heaven, and whatever you permit and declare proper and lawful on earth must be what is already permitted in heaven. Matthew 18:18 (AMPC)

Q: How do you exercise your faith as a commander in the affairs of life?

7. By faith you are able to access covenant blessings (Heaven places).

Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God. Romans 4:20, Ephesians 2:6 (NIV)

Q: What does the above mean in correlation to winning in life?

8. Faith brings answers to prayer.

"And whatever things you ask in prayer, really believing, you will receive." (Matthew 21:22).

CONCLUSION

Faith brings all the benefits of salvation into our lives (Ephesians 2:8-9). This includes healing, prosperity, peace, love, joy (1 Peter 1:8), deliverance from demons and the curse, sanctification of the mind and emotions (the salvation of the soul) and any other benefit which the word of God promises to us.