

Faith - the Work & Walk of Faith

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Hebrews 11:4-7

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- Theme of Hebrews: Jesus is Better! He brought a better covenant!
- Under the New Covenant worship is by faith, not the senses
- Chp 11 not a moralistic be like these guys but rather a see what their faith was in... the Gospel fulfilled - Jesus.
- Abel⁴ - the Way of Faith (5/7)
- Enoch⁵ - the Walk of Faith
- Noah⁷ - the Work of Faith

Enoch - The Walk of Faith 5

- Enoch – not much about him Gen 5:21-24
- His walk of faith was an intimate daily walk with God
- Enoch listed in genealogy between Gen 4:25-26 & 6:5
- Enoch seems to commended for his faith^{11:6}
- Enoch may have started walk of faith at age 65... Mt7:7-8

Noah - the Work of Faith 7

- Why was Noah accepted? Not for his work, but faith⁷
- Noah's story
 - a universal, worldwide flood... evidences all around
 - flood was divine, not just a natural disaster^{Gen⁶⁻⁹}
 - flood foreshadows God's coming judgment^{2Pe3:3-7}
- Noah acted in faith⁷ - he believed God & constructed...
- imagine the difficulty of that action...
- His actions condemned the world^{7b}
- Righteous actions can be condemning - be a herald^{2P2:5}

So What?

- Without faith it is impossible to be COMMENDED^{Tt3:5-6}
- With faith it is impossible to be CONDEMNED^{2Co5:21}
- Gospel – God knew we would never meet His holy standards so Triune God choose us^{Eph1:4} from beginning to be redeemed by sending His Son, Jesus to redeem us. We get it all by FAITH^{Heb11:7} by Grace^{Gen6:8!}
- Rest in the WAY of faith, the WALK of faith, and let that motivate you to act with the WORK of faith.

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