

SERMON TITLE: Walk by Faith

TEXT: Hebrews 11:1–6, 32–40

THEME: Faith follows God even when the path is not visible.

INTRODUCTION

Hebrews 11 is often called the “Hall of Faith.” Like a hallway filled with portraits of great men and women, this chapter shows us believers who trusted God against all odds. None of them were perfect, but all of them had one thing in common: they walked by faith.

Today, God is still calling His people to walk by faith—not by feelings, not by fear, not by what we can see, touch, or predict—but by trust in Him.

I. WHAT FAITH IS — Hebrews 11:1

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

Faith is not wishing...

Faith is not luck...

Faith is not positive thinking...

Faith is confidence in God—before you see the result.

Substance — Faith gives weight and reality to what God has promised.

Evidence — Faith acts as if God’s Word is already done.

A faith that can be seen later must first be believed now.

II. WHY FAITH MATTERS — Hebrews 11:6

“Without faith it is impossible to please God...”

God is not impressed by:

Our talent

Our money

Our education

Our name or reputation

But God is pleased with faith.

To walk by faith means:

We believe God is who He says He is.

We believe God will do what He said He will do.

Faith honors God—and God honors faith.

III. FAITH ON DISPLAY (EXAMPLES FROM HEBREWS 11)

1. Noah – Faith Obeys Even When It Sounds Crazy (v. 7)

God said, “Build an ark.” Noah had never seen rain like that. Yet he obeyed. Faith does not wait for understanding—faith obeys.

2. Abraham – Faith Follows Even Without the Full Map (vv. 8–10)

God said, “Go to a land I will show you.” Abraham didn’t have details, GPS, or timelines. Faith walks step-by-step, not all-at-once.

3. Moses – Faith Chooses God Over the World (vv. 24–27)

Moses gave up Egypt’s wealth to follow God’s purpose. Faith lets go of what is temporary to gain what is eternal.

Each of them walked forward without guarantees they could see—yet God was faithful.

IV. THE CHALLENGE FOR US TODAY

To “walk by faith” means:

When we don’t see the answer yet — we still pray.

When we don’t know the outcome — we still obey.

When life hurts — we still trust.

When fear rises — we still move forward.

Faith is not proven in comfort. Faith is proven in conflict.

Faith is not tested on the mountaintop. Faith is tested in the valley.

God is still writing stories of faith—and your name can be in His next chapter.

V. THE PROMISE OF FAITH

The heroes in Hebrews 11 died “not having received the promises” (v. 13), yet they held on because they saw something better.

Faith always looks beyond:

Beyond the trial

Beyond the storm

Beyond this world

Why? Because our hope is not in what we see, but in the God we serve.

CONCLUSION

Walking by faith is not a one-time decision—it is a daily lifestyle. When you can’t trace God’s hand, trust His heart. He has never failed, and He will not start with you.