

Jesus is a BETTER VISION
Text: Hebrews 11:17 – 12:2

People of Faith SEE...

- 1) **“FUTURE GRACE”**: Hebrews 11:1
- 2) **PAST GRACE (We IMITATE those who received it.)**: Hebrews 12:1.
See also: 6:11-12
- 3) **PRESENT GRACE – Opportunities to DISPLAY FAITH**: James 2:17-18;
Galatians 5:6
- 4) **“ALREADY” but “NOT YET” GRACE**: Hebrews 11:39–40. See: v. 13
- 5) **OVERWHELMING GRACE – in God’s ONE Redemption story**:
Hebrews 12:2

People of Faith ACT. They...

- 1) **SACRIFICIALLY OFFER God our most CHERISHED treasures**: Heb.
11:17–18. See also: Gen. 22:1-19; Lk. 9:23, 14:27, 33; Jm. 2:21-24
- 2) **BLESS and PLAN for future generations**: Hebrews 11:20–22.
 - In **CONTRAST**: 2 Kings 20:19
- 3) **CHOOSE a GODLY IDENTITY – even when that new identity COSTS us current real PLEASURE**: Hebrews 11:24–25
- 4) **OBEY God’s GREATER AUTHORITY**: Hebrews 11:23, 27
- 5) **WELCOME Godly CHANGE – even when it’s COSTLY**: Hebrews 11:31
- 6) **CONQUER all other REALITIES – even DEATH**: Heb. 11:30, 32–35.
See also: Romans 8:35-39
- 7) **SUFFER TEMPORARILY (though perhaps SIGNIFICANTLY)**: Hebrews
11:35b–38

People of Faith BELIEVE...

- 1) **God is FAITHFUL**: Hebrews 11:11
 - a) **He CAN’T LIE and MUST fulfill His Promises**: Numbers 23:19.
See also: Hebrews 6:18; 1 Samuel 15:29; Titus 1:2
 - b) **Do you DOUBT God’s Word?** Hebrews 3:12. See: Romans 14:23
 - c) **Are you UNITED with those believe in the GOOD NEWS of God’s FAITHFULNESS through JESUS?** Heb. 4:2. See: 1 John 5:10
- 2) **God is ABLE... (To RAISE the DEAD)**: Hebrews 11:19. See also: Daniel
3:17-18, 29; 6:20-22
 - a) **To PROVIDE (a better SACRIFICE)**: Genesis 22:7b–8a, 14. See
also: Romans 8:32
 - b) **SHIELD us from His own just WRATH**: Hebrews 11:28
 - c) **DIRECT and PROTECT His CHOSEN people**: Hebrews 11:29
- 3) **God is BETTER**: Hebrews 11:26. See: Heb. 11:6, 16b; Matt. 25:21
 - a) **Than ANY earthly COMMENDATION (APPROVAL)**: Heb. 11:2
 - b) **Than ANY earthly COMFORT or REWARD**: 2 Cor. 4:16–18. See
also: Philippians 1:20-26

Gospel In Life Group Questions

- 1) **BELIEVE**: WHAT TRUTHS did God REVEAL to me through His Word today about HIM and/or MYSELF?
- 2) **ASSESS**: HOW do these truths ENCOURAGE and/or CHALLENGE (convict) ME?
- 3) **PROCESS**: WHY is this message GOOD NEWS (GOSPEL) to ME today? (CONNECT the GOSPEL story to MY present story)
- 4) **CHANGE**: WHERE will I APPLY (BELIEVE, REPENT, DO) this message in MY own life this week?
- 5) **PROCLAIM**: WHO does God want ME to share these truths with this week?