

Substance & Evidence



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Hebrews Eleven

Real Life Examples of Living and Dying By Faith





Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report.



Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.



By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts:



and by it he being dead yet speaketh.

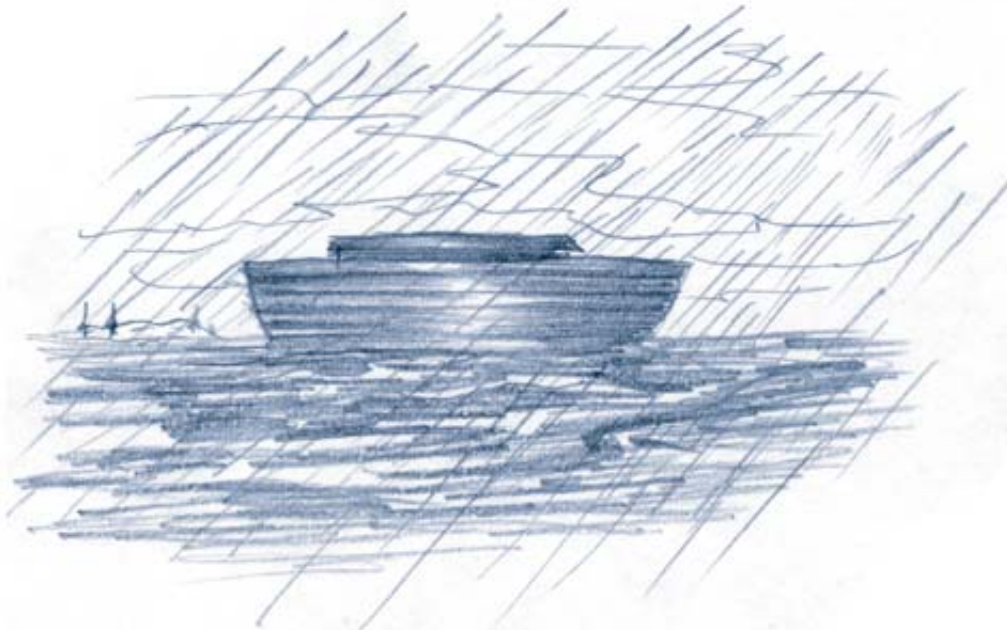


By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.



By faith Noah, being warned of God
of things not seen as yet, moved with
fear, prepared an ark to the saving of
his house;



by the which he condemned the world,
and became heir of the righteousness
which is by faith.



By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went.



By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as *in* a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: for he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker *is* God.



Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised.



Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, *so many* as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable.

These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of *them*, and embraced *them*, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth.

For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. And truly, if they had been mindful of that *country* from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.

But now they desire a better *country*, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.



By faith Abraham, when he was tried,
offered up Isaac; and he that had
received the promises offered up his
only begotten *son*,



of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called: accounting that God *was* able to raise *him* up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.



By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.



By faith Jacob, when he was a-dying,
blessed both the sons of Joseph; and
worshipped, *leaning* upon the top of
his staff.



By faith Joseph, when he died, made mention of the departing of the children of Israel; and gave commandment concerning his bones.



By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw *he was* a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.



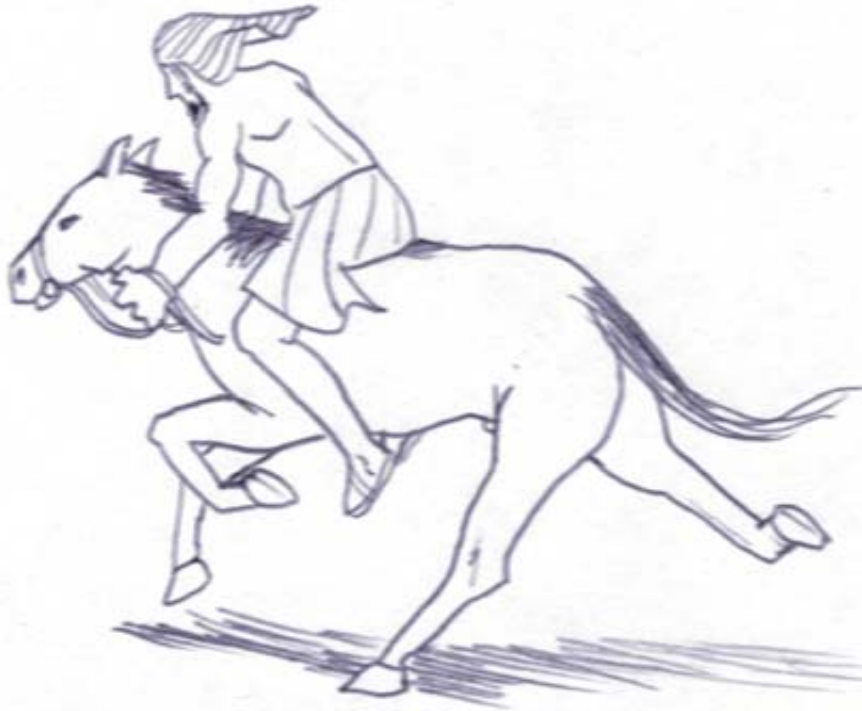
By faith Moses, when he was come
to years, refused to be called the son
of Pharaoh's daughter;



choosing rather to suffer affliction with
the people of God than to enjoy the
pleasures of sin for a season;



esteeming the reproach of Christ
greater riches than the treasures in
Egypt for he had respect unto the
recompence of the reward.



By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the
wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing
him who is invisible.



Through faith he kept the Passover and
the sprinkling of blood,



lest he that destroyed the firstborn
should touch them.



By faith they passed through the Red Sea as by dry *land*:



which the Egyptians assaying to do
were drowned.



By faith the walls of Jericho fell
down, after they were compassed
about seven days.



By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.

And what shall I more say?



for the time would fail me to
tell of Gedeon,



and of Barak,



and *of* Samson



and *of* Jephthæ;



of David also,



and Samuel,



and *of* the prophets:



who through faith subdued
kingdoms,



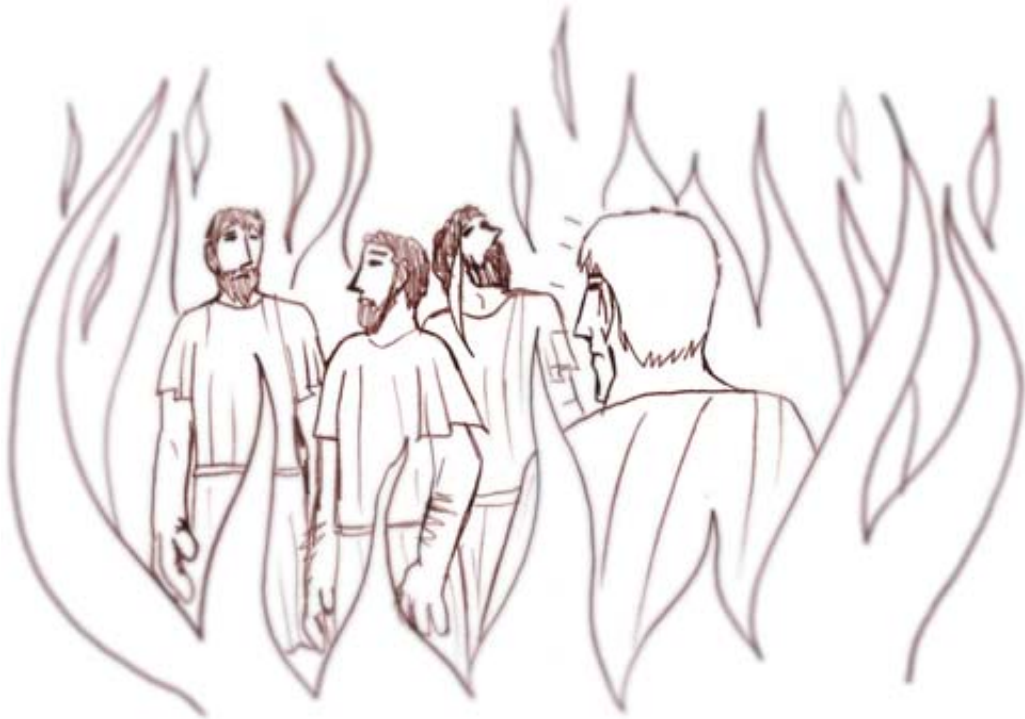
wrought righteousness,



obtained promises,



stopped the mouths of lions,



quenched the violence of fire,



escaped the edge of the sword,



out of weakness were made strong,



waxed valiant in fight,



turned to flight the armies of the aliens.



Women received their dead raised
to life again:

and others



were tortured, not accepting
deliverance; that they might obtain a
better resurrection:



and others had trial of *cruel*
mockings and scourgings,



yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment:



they were stoned,



they were sawn asunder,



were tempted,



were slain with the sword:



they wandered about in sheepskins
and goatskins; being destitute,
afflicted, tormented; (Of whom the
world was not worthy:)



they wandered in deserts,
and *in* mountains,



and *in* dens and caves of the earth.



And these all, having obtained a good
report through faith, received not the
promise:



God having provided some better thing
for us, that they without us should not be
made perfect.

end.