

Faith Worth Remembering

True faith is not abstract. The kind of faith that pleases God has stories attached to it. In this series we will look at some of the Bible's best faith stories retold in Hebrews 11. They are stories of courage, stories of resilience, stories worth remembering. And since their God is our God, our remembering can inspire us to live some faith stories of our own.

Week 1: ...Is God-Confident

1. Rick pointed out that *"A faith worth remembering always has a story attached to it."* Share a story about someone from your life who has a faith worth remembering. What was it about their faith that impacted you the most?
2. **FAITH REMEMBERED: Lived faith is relived faith. Read Hebrews 11:1-2.** How would you describe faith in God to someone who has never experienced it? What are some ways you might need to clarify it for them? Follow up: Which story from Hebrews 11 is your favorite and how does it encourage you to live with a confident faith in God?
3. **FAITH REVEALS... confidence in God's realness.** *The foundation of faith is "In the beginning God..."* **Read Hebrews 11:6.** Why is it essential for faith to be built on the foundation that God exists even though His origins cannot be explained? How does God reward those who seek Him? Share an example of someone finding God.
4. Rick also mentioned that *denying the existence of God is also a "leap of faith."* What does he mean by that and why is that important to know? Follow up: **Read Hebrews 11:3 & Romans 1:19-20.** How do these verses (and creation's design and order) give you confidence and evidence for God being a wise and powerful Maker?
5. **FAITH REVEALS... confidence in God's goodness. Read Psalm 31:19 and 86:5.** Share some examples of where you've seen and experienced the goodness of God.
6. **FAITH REMEMBERED: Faith that pleases our Father blesses our children.** Share some examples of how memories of our lived faith can bless our children and beyond.
7. Rick closed by asking *"How do you want to be remembered?"* and by reminding us that *"You can impact future generations for eternity."* What is your response to that question and statement? Follow up: What verb do you need to add to your faith that will be pleasing to God and a blessing to others? Spend time praying for each other.

