

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 5: ...Chooses Courage

1. Rick began by pointing out that *"We admire people who refuse to live an intimidated life."* Share some stories of people you know personally who are exceptionally brave.
2. **Read Hebrews 11:23-27.** What do you learn about faith from the example of Moses? What stands out to you the most from his story? Follow up: When have you had to make a bold decision that required courageous faith? How did that change you?
3. **FAITH INSPIRES... Courageous faith is contagious faith.** *People of courage don't just elicit admiration; they prompt inspiration.* What examples from recent history inspire you the most? What was it about them that inspired you?
4. **FAITH DECIDES... Choose your people.** *Your cannot choose God and refuse His people.* **Read Hebrews 11:24-25a.** In what ways was Moses' identity probably planted deep within him by his parents? Follow up: **Read Hebrews 10:25.** What are some ways that we can intentionally identify with the people of God today?
5. **FAITH DECIDES... Choose your treasure.** *Salvation by faith is free; living by faith can be quite costly.* **Read Hebrews 11:25-26.** What do these verses emphasize regarding the choice Moses made? Follow up: What has your faith cost you?
6. **FAITH DECIDES... Choose your fear.** *Moses did not fear the king's anger.* **Read Hebrews 11:27a.** In what ways did Moses and his parents *choose their fear*? Why is *"Do not be afraid"* the most frequently condemned sin in the Bible? Follow up: In what ways is Jesus the most fearless person who ever lived? How do his words in **Matthew 10:28** encourage you to *choose your fear* wisely?
7. **FAITH SEES... Faith is invincible when it sees the invisible.** **Read 2 Kings 6:16-17.** What are some spiritual realities that God wants us to see to increase our courage? What is one way this message has encouraged you to live with more courage?

