



The Faith of Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph — The Way of Faith Passed On

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Hebrews 11:20-22

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What we have learned so far in our study ...

- The Theme of the Book - Jesus is "Better" ...
- The Outline of the Book of Hebrews ...

A Better Person: Jesus (1-6)

A Better Priesthood: Jesus (7-10)

A Better Principle: Faith (11-13)

The Examples of Faith (11)

The Features of Faith — Faith Described vs. 1-3

The Family of Faith — Faith Displayed vs. 4-40

Abel: The **WORSHIP** of faith. v. 4 — A picture of what it looks like when you first come to **SAVING** faith in Jesus Christ. "*Abel offered to God a better sacrifice ...*"

Enoch: The **WALK** of faith. vs. 5-6 — A picture of what it looks like when you truly are **SEEKING** God by faith. "*Enoch walked with God ...*" (cf. Genesis 5:22,24)

Noah: The **WORK** of faith. v. 7 — A picture of what it looks like when you truly **SERVE** God by faith. "*Noah prepared an ark ...*" (cf. Genesis 6:8-22)

Abraham: The **WORTHY** example of faith. vs. 8-19 — A picture of what it looks like when you truly **SURRENDER** to God by faith.

What we are going to learn today in our study ...

Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph: The **WAY** of faith passed on. vs. 20-22 — A picture of what it looks like when you **SUCCESSFULLY** communicate your faith to your children.

The Question ... What does it look like to be faithful to the end and to pass that faith on to those who come after you?

I. ISAAC'S FAITH v. 20

The **FAMILY** (Genesis 25:21-26)

The **FAVORITISM** (Genesis 25:27-34)

The **FAILURES** (Genesis 26:1-25)

The **FAITH** (Genesis 27:1-33; cf. Hebrews 11:20)

- 1) Isaac's plan — Genesis 27:1-4
- 2) Rebekah's plot — Genesis 27:5-17
- 3) Jacob's performance — Genesis 27:18-29
- 4) Isaac's pronouncement — Genesis 27:30-33

The Application — Faith always bows the knee to God's **WILL** and **ACTS** in accordance with that will.

II. JACOB'S FAITH v. 21

The **POSITION** of Blessing (Genesis 48:1-2; cf. Hebrews 11:22)

The **PROMISE** of Blessing (Genesis 48:3-4)

The **PASSING** of the Blessing (Genesis 48:5-22)

The Application — Faith sees that through the most heart wrenching experiences in life, God is working out His **PURPOSES** and **BLESSINGS** in our lives.

II. JOSEPH'S FAITH v. 22 (Cf. Genesis 50:24-26)

The Application — Faith never judges God based on the **FULFILLMENT** of promises in this life.

Today's Growth Point — How does this passage apply to you and your GCG?