

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE / MAY 26

TO APPLY, NOT REHASH, THE SERMON

Read

Read Hebrews 11:1–6 and consider making some observations about the passage.

Sermon Recap

Review the sermon with your group, highlighting the following:

- “Faith is not a feeling, not a leap in the dark, nor a force/power.”
- “Faith is a way of knowing that leads to understanding.”
- “Faith is the conviction that what God has said is true and adjusting your life accordingly.”
- “Faith is living in a way that demonstrates trust in God.”

Group Discussion

1. Hebrews 11:3 speaks about understanding the creation of the universe through faith. How does faith contribute to our understanding of the world around us? Can you think of areas in your life where faith has helped you understand or cope with unseen realities?
2. Hebrews 11:6 states that “without faith it is impossible to please God.” Why do you think faith is essential for pleasing God? What does it mean to “earnestly seek” God, and how can we do this in our lives?
3. Discuss the statement, “Faith is not a feeling.” What role does the Bible give to emotions in our spiritual life? How would you describe the relationship between faith and feelings?
4. In what ways can you demonstrate trust in God in your current circumstances? How does this align with the idea that faith looks like action?

CHALLENGE

- This week, identify one area of your life where you struggle to trust God fully. Make a conscious effort to surrender this area to God, praying for faith and taking practical steps to demonstrate your trust in him.

PRAYER

- Ask God for a deeper understanding of biblical faith. Ask for the Holy Spirit to illuminate his Word and create trust in our hearts toward God’s promises.
- Pray that God would strengthen our faith amidst challenges in our lives, helping us to live out our faith in practical and visible ways.