THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

THEME - JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONE AND ONLY

THE SUPREMACY AND SUFFICIENCY OF JESUS CHRIST. A THEOLOGY OF REDEMPTION, ATONEMENT AND MINISTRY OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH

Hebrews 11:4-7

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

THE ONLY KIND OF FAITH THAT WORKS – PART 3

In everything, the book of Hebrews presents Jesus Christ as the all-sufficient and eternal priest. In all things Jesus Christ is better than Moses, than Angels, than the Law, being the centrality of those ministries.

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

rest, hope, promises, oaths, immutability, blessings. Gods' faithfulness.

Remembering The Main Proposition That ties Us to His Promises is verse 6

6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

Hebrews 11:5-7

5 By faith Enoch was taken away (raptured) so that he did not see death, "and was not found, because God had taken him"; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God. 6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. 7 By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

THE ONLY KIND OF FAITH THAT WORKS

1.) Is a faith founded upon the facts

vs. 1-4

2.) Is an intimately active faith

vs. 5

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God.

We left off talking about "**The Walk**" of Faith that Defines our Confession of Faith.

Wherever Enoch went - Enoch took walks

Colossians 2:4-8

Now this I say lest anyone should deceive you with persuasive words. **5** For though I am absent in the flesh, yet I am with you in spirit, rejoicing to see your *good* order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ. **6** As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, **7** rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving. **8** Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men,

Galatians 6:7-10

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. **8** For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. **9** And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. **10** Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Ephesians 4:1-3

I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, **2** with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, **3** endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Bond grk: sun'des'mos the ligaments, that which binds together, a unifying or woven together structure of fabric, flesh, vision, cohesiveness.

> "Nothing that is alive stands still. Apart from Christ, we were all stillborn spiritually speaking. Having been born again means you have been born alive."

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3.) Is a publicly righteous faith

7 By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

Is there Legitimate Symbolism Here?

I find it interesting here to flirt with what might be two different individuals who are possibly living out their faith in their day with prophetic shadows being cast to the ages.

Noah was kept from or was preserved through God's judgment on earth by way of the Ark that got him through the flood. – We also know that God will keep Israel or preserve Israel through the coming judgment on earth during the 7-year tribulation period. God will preserve the nation of Israel.

> Enoch's situation was – He walked with God until.... The Church has been commanded to walk with God until - what?

If Noah is a Type of Israel then Enoch is a Type of the Church.

Jude 1:14-15

Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied (preached) about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with (not for, but with us) ten thousands of His saints, (the second coming brings earth's judgment) **15** to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him."

There is a Aramaic word used for "The Lord Is Coming" and that word is – Maranatha. Maranatha means "Get Ready, Be Ready, Stay Ready, the Lord Is Coming."

The Early Church used the word – Maranatha to greet one another. To say see-ya to one another. In some cases it was understood that Maranatha replaced the Hebrew word Shalom. You know that you cannot have a real Shalom until there is a Maranatha in your life. In Hawaii the believers will say Shaloha.

The Public Witness of Noah, the Believer

John 6:35-37

And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst. **36** But I said to you that you have seen Me and yet do not believe. **37** All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out.

That is Faith producing Works, Works, rightly Placed.

James 2:14-20

What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? **15** If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food. **16** and one of you says to them, "Depart in peace, be warmed and filled," but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit? **17** Thus also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. **18** But someone will say, "You have faith, and I have works." Show me your faith without your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. **19** You believe that there is one God. You do well. Even the demons believe - and tremble! **20** But do you want to

know,

O foolish man, that faith without works is dead?

The Public Witness of Jack, the Believer The Public Witness of Pierre, the Believer The Public Witness of Monica, the Believer The Public Witness of George, the Believer

Luke 12:8-9

"Also I say to you, whoever confesses Me before men, him the Son of Man also will confess before the angels of God. **9** But he who denies Me before men will be denied before the angels of God.

> **Romans 5:1** Therefore, having been justified by faith.

Galatians 3:24-25

Therefore the law was our tutor *to bring us* to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. **25** But after faith has come,

we are no longer under a tutor.

1 Corinthians 1:18

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Romans 3:28

Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law.

Verse 7b

7 By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

There Are Several Verses That Are Essential

2 Corinthians 10:6 And (be) being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

Acts 13:6-12

Now when they had gone through the island to Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew whose name *was* Bar-Jesus, **7** who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man. This man called for Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. **8** But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith. **9** Then Saul, who also *is called* Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him **10** and said, "O full of all deceit and all fraud, *you* son of the devil, *you* enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord? **11** And now, indeed, the hand of the Lord *is* upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time." And immediately a dark mist fell on him, and he went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand. **12** Then the proconsul believed, when he saw what had been done, being astonished at the teaching of the Lord.

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