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 11:20-29

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

Your Life - On Faith - Part 2

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.

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Hebrews 11:20-29

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YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

will in fact be a life (and life-time) of right decision making.

The decisions we make - speaks volumes about our Christian maturity.

Why do so many "Christians" make bad decisions?

Because there's a neglect of Bible as being our guide in life & for life.

YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

1.) Will be a prophetic life

vs. 20

Hebrews 11:20

By faith Isaac blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come.

This is both a biblically confirmed fact about the descendants of Abraham, Isaac & Jacob – and it is a confirmation regarding the Future of the Nation of Israel.

Contrary to this Evenings "Breaking News" and "What's to Come"

Eschatology – The Study of the Prophetic Doctrines of the Bible will never fail, expirer, or be cancelled.

Jeremiah 31:30-36

But every one shall die for his own iniquity; every man who eats the sour grapes, his teeth shall be set on edge. 31 "Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah - 32 not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. 34 No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, "Know the LORD,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the LORD. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more." 35 Thus says the LORD, Who gives the sun for a light by day, The ordinances of the moon and the stars for a light by night, Who disturbs the sea, And its waves roar (The LORD of hosts is His name) 36 "If those ordinances depart From before Me, says the LORD, Then the seed of Israel shall also cease From being a nation before Me forever."

2 Peter 1:19a

And so we have the prophetic word confirmed, which you do well to heed as a light that shines in a dark place.

Your Life On Faith

2.) Will be a transformative life

vs. 21

21 By faith Jacob, when he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, and worshiped, leaning on the top of his staff.

The ancient patriarch, grey haired and weather beaten.

He was a living, breathing, eyewitness reporter to decades of God's remarkable Providential dealings & faithfulness.

A Rapture Verse for Sure!

Philippians 3:20-21a

For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, **21** who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body.

This Is Consistent with the Whole of Scripture

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. **14** For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. **15** For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive *and* remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. **16** For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. **17** Then we who are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. **18** Therefore comfort one another with these words.

Your Life On Faith

3.) Will be an anticipated life

vs. 22

22 By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones.

The Doctrine of a Bodily Resurrection and a Future Restoration to God is an Undeniable Biblical Doctrine.

Job 19:25-27

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and He shall stand at last on the earth; **26** And after my skin is destroyed, this I know, that in my flesh I shall see God, **27** Whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!

Ecclesiastes 12:7

Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it.

1 Peter 1:21

Who through Him believe in God, who raised Christ from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your **faith** and hope are in God.

How Could This Possibly Be Important to Us?

Romans 8:11

But if the Spirit of Him (H.S.) who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He (H.S.) who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit (H.S.) who dwells in you.

Verse 22

22 By faith Joseph, when he was dying, made mention of the departure of the children of Israel, and gave instructions concerning his bones.

"Concerning His Bones" = Resurrection !!!

Your Life On Faith

4.) Will be a transcended life

vs. 23

23 By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw that he was a beautiful child; and (because) they were not afraid of the king's command.

(See Exodus 2)

All of The Examples Given Us Here - Are Applauded by Heaven

#1

Moses' Mom & Dad decided to use faith and hid Moses from the law of the land.

#2

They saw that Moses was a Beautiful Child.

Beautiful grk: asteios

Proper, courteous, elegant, lovely, desirable – implied to be: appointed,

heb: tob

choice, fair, chosen, pleasant, unique, implied to be: purposed.

#3

They knew that the right thing to do was to obey God rather than the command of Pharaoh the King.

YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

5.) Will be a defiant life

vs. 24-26

24 By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter,

There is no way for us to know for sure what "Became of Age" means exactly. We can however make an educated guess.

Moses' parents had him long enough to teach the ways of God. They would have recounted to him the history of the Jewish people. He would have been taught all about Abraham, Issac & Jacob.

He Knew That He Was a Jew – My Guess is that he was at or around 12 years of age.

(the significance of being 12 years old in the Egyptian culture)

The Most Robust Education / War College / Leadership Training. & How to Conduct Yourself as Pharaohs' Grandson.

We learn that (Moshe) decided to Go with His God.

We learn that (Moshe) decided to Go with His Convictions.

We learn that (Moshe) decided to Go with His People.

We learn that (Moshe) decided to Go with His Values.

Verse 25

25 choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin,

Verse 26

26 esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward.

Applications of This Point

Psalms 118:6

The LORD is on my side; I will not fear. What can man do to me?

Biblical Examples

Isaiah 41:10

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'

Daniel 3:16-18

Now Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego answered and said to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. **17** If that is the case, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us from your hand, O king. **18** But if not, let it be known to you, O king, that we do not serve your gods, nor will we worship the gold image which you have set up."

Jude 1:20

But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy **faith**, praying in the Holy Spirit,

Acts 5:17-29,40-42

Then the high priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with indignation, 18 and laid their hands on the apostles and put them in the common prison. 19 But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, 20 "Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life." **21** And when they heard that, they entered the temple early in the morning and taught. But the high priest and those with him came and called the council together, with all the elders of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. 22 But when the officers came and did not find them in the prison, they returned and reported, 23 saying, "Indeed we found the prison shut securely, and the guards standing outside before the doors; but when we opened them, we found no one inside!" 24 Now when the high priest, the captain of the temple, and the chief priests heard these things, they wondered what the outcome would be. 25 So one came and told them, saying, "Look, the men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people!" 26 Then the captain went with the officers and brought them without violence, for they feared the people, lest they should be stoned. 27 And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest asked them, 28 saying, "Did we not strictly command you not to teach in this name? And look, you have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this Man's blood on us!" 29 But Peter and the other apostles answered and said: "We ought to obey God rather than men... 40 And they agreed with him, and when they had called for the apostles and beaten them, they commanded that they should not speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. 41 So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name. 42 And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

6.) Will be a galvanized life

vs. 27

27 By faith Moses forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured as seeing Him who is invisible.

A Galvanized & Combative Faith

1 Peter 5:8-9

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 9 Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

1 John 5:4

For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world - - our **faith**.

YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

7.) Will be a dependent life

vs. 28

28 By faith Moses kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, lest he (the angel of death) who destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

Exodus 12:1-13,29a

Now the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, **2** "This month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you. **3** Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: "On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household. **4** And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take it according to the number of the persons; according to each man's need you shall make your count for the lamb. **5** Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. **6** Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. **7** And they shall take some

of the blood and put *it* on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it. **8** Then they shall eat the flesh on that night; roasted in fire, with unleavened bread *and* with bitter *herbs* they shall eat it. **9** Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire—its head with its legs and its entrails. **10** You shall let none of it remain until morning, and what remains of it until morning you shall burn with fire. **11** And thus you shall eat it: *with* a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It *is* the LORD'S Passover.

12 "For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. 13 Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt...:29 And it came to pass at midnight that the LORD struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon,

There is in a Sense – a Greater Precursor to Moses' Passover.

Genesis 22:6-8 KJV

And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering, and laid it upon Isaac his son; and he took the fire in his hand, and a knife; and they went both of them together. 7 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, my father: and he said, here am I, my son. And he said, behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? 8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together. – (heb: agreement)

YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

8.) Will be a focused life

vs. 29

29 By faith they passed through the Red Sea as by (as if it were) dry land, whereas the Egyptians, attempting to do so, were drowned.

Your Life On Faith

will be a life of on-going, systematic, step-by-step, accounts of victories over and against all the evils that you encounter.

What Did The Red Sea Look Like? – It Looked Wetter Than Normal What Did The Red Sea Look Like? – It Looked Deeper Than Normal What Did The Red Sea Look Like? – It Looked Wider Than Normal

Notice Here;

That the Evil of Pharoah & Egypt Couldn't Make It Across.

Because The Red Sea was Wetter Than Normal – Infinitely Wetter
Because The Red Sea was Deeper Than Normal– Infinitely Deeper
Because The Red Sea was Wider Than Normal– Infinitely Wider

1 Timothy 6:11-12

But you, O man of God, flee these things and pursue righteousness, godliness, **faith**, love, patience, gentleness. **12** Fight the good fight of **faith**, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

He is Still Parting Seas

Let's all as followers of Christ tonight bless one another.

_____ End of Study _____

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