



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
NINILCHIK

SUNDAY SCHOOL

SERIES:

The Epistle to the Hebrews

LESSON:

“Grace, Faith & Sovereign Election”

Reading: Hebrews 11:17-22

Sunday School Hymns

Hymn #377 - “Faith Is the Victory”

Hymn #344 - “My Hope Is in the Lord”

October 22nd, 2023

Lesson 50, Hebrews 11:20 (Read: Heb 11:17-22)

I. AN OVERVIEW OF RECENT REFLECTIONS

v4, *Abel's sacrifice*

v5, *Enoch's walk*

v6, (the pleasure of God)

v7, *Noah's fear*

v8, *Abraham's call*

v9, *Abraham's sojourn*

v10, *Abraham's expectation*

v11, *Sarah's conception*

v12, *Abraham's fruition*

vv13-16, (the patience of faith)

vv17-19, *Abraham's test, offspring & figure*

v20, *Isaac's blessings*

II. AN OBSERVATION OF TODAY'S PARTICULARS

v20, Grace, Faith & Sovereign Election

Texts to Consider: **Heb 12:15-17**; **Rom 9:13-16** (Mal 1:2-3)

A. Faith as a Work?

a. faith's nature (substance, assurance) **Heb 11:1**

Gk. ὑπόστασις (*hoo-POS-ta-sis*) = concrete essence, confidence, assurance; used in **Heb 1:3** (*nature*, ESV; *person*, KJV) & **Heb 3:14** (*confidence*)

b. faith as a gift, **Eph 2:8-9**

c. faith exercised because of sovereign election, **Eph 1:3-6**

i. sovereign election helps reconcile some difficulties

- unborn, infants in death, deaf, mentally incapacitated, etc.

ii. sovereign election implies true "age" of accountability, **Eph 1:4**

B. Further illustrations for Our Understanding

a. David's utterance at the death of his son, **2 Sam 12:23**

b. Elisha's inquiry of the Shunamite's son, **2 Ki 4:18-28**

c. Jeremiah's appointment before conception, **Jer 1:5**

d. YHVH God's pity upon toddlers & cattle, **Jon 4:11**

III. AN OCCASION FOR PRACTICAL APPLICATION

A. sovereign election doesn't mean all children will be saved, **Eph 6:4**

B. sovereign election doesn't mean universal salvation, **Rom 9:22-23**

C. sovereign election doesn't remove evangelistic responsibility, **Deut 29:29**

D. sovereign election does promote assurance of salvation in the promises of an almighty and merciful Savior, **Rom 8:31-34**