

SUNDAY SCHOOL

SERIES:

The Epistle to the Hebrews

LESSON:

"Faith that's Godly"

How Faith Behaves: Part Eleven

Reading: Hebrews 11:17-22

Sunday School Hymns

Hymn #115 - "Love Lifted Me" Hymn #144 - "Day by Day"

October 29th, 2023

Lesson 51, Hebrews 11:21

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

v21, The Prophetic Priority of Faith, PART TWO

A. Background of Text

Genesis 48:1-22

- a. the eyes of Israel were dim, v10 (2 Cor 5:7)
- b. crossing, or guiding his hands wittingly (KJV), v14 (1 Cor 15:47)
 - i. "Iknow, my son, Iknow." v19
- c. he blessed Joseph (& the boys), vv15-16
 - i. Shepherd God (John 10:11, 14)
 - ii. Redeemer God (Rom 3:24; Gal 3:13)

${f B.}$ Breakdown of Text

- a. when dying, faith blesses regardless of physical health
- b. blessed each of the sons, faith blesses according to the spirit, not flesh
- c. bowing in worship... faith leans upon Christ alone for strength
 - i. Gen 32:22-32

III. An Occasion for Celebration by these Truths

- A. faith is undeterred by physical weaknesses & infirmities
- B. faith finds its greatest blessing in redemption from our Good Shepherd
- **C. faith** must first be fruitful (*Ephraim*, Gen 41:52) before it can be forgetful (*Manasseh*, Gen 41:51)
 - a. Gal 5:22-23; Phil 3:12-14