Hebrews 11 Online Study Recommendations and Resources

NT scriptural considerations when studying OT passages:

- 1. Why did this NT writer pick this OT example in this context (10:36-11:3, 11:6, 6:11-12, etc)?
- 2. How does the OT story point us to Jesus (Heb 12:2 follows Heb 11, Lk 24:47, Jn 5:39, etc.)?
- 3. How does your OT scripture teach, challenge, correct or train Christians (see 2 Tim 3:16-4:2)?
- 4. In studying the OT writings what's the God-intended encouragement or hope (see Rom 15:4)?

See also David Murray's <u>Tips For Balanced Biographical Preaching</u> (www.headhearthand.org)

- While giving full weight to the human biography, keep God, not man, in the foreground.
- Distinguish...from mere moralism [being good for goodness' sake] by emphasizing that we need Christ's grace to obey any moral requirements, and His forgiveness when we fail... encouraging believers to look away to Christ for grace far more than looking within...
- Read every story in its immediate and also its redemptive context [in relation to the gospel].
- See Christ even when studying Christ's people. He was the Savior of Old Testament saints as well, and any good they accomplished was by the power of Christ's Spirit alone.
- Don't jump straight from OT character to the 21st century Christian. Rather, pause to discern the original purpose for the original audience/readers...[in OT and purpose in Hebrews 11]
- Include the corporate [church] perspective, explain how the passage impacts our worldview]

Teaching outlines and application helps by Jim Newheiser (click your text then click PDF): http://grcbible.org/category/audio/sermons/book/hebrews/

Illustrations: http://www.preceptaustin.org/index.php/hebrews_11_sermon_illustrations

Extensive notes and quotes from the best available online resources: http://www.preceptaustin.org/verse by verse (scroll down to Hebrews and select your text)

Online commentaries (recommend Constable, Guzik, Ironside, Pink, etc.) http://www.preceptaustin.org/index.php/hebrews_11_resources (also sermons above by Cole, MacArthur, Duncan, S Lewis Johnson, Spurgeon, Stedman, etc.)