

SUNDAY SCHOOL

SERIES:

The Epistle to the Hebrews

LESSON:

"Faith that's Godly"

How Faith Behaves: Part Twelve

Reading: Hebrews 11:17-22

Sunday School Hymns

Hymn #377 - "Faith Is the Victory" Hymn #387 - "Because He Lives"

November 5th, 2023

Lesson 52, Hebrews 11:22

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

v21, Jacob's blessings

II. AN OBSERVATION OF TODAY'S PARTICULARS

v22, Faith's Forgiveness, Foresight & Remembrance

A. Background of Text

Genesis 50:15-26

- a. "Your father gave... command" v16 (Matt 17:5; John 16:23)
- b. "am I in the place of God?" v19 (Matt 6:15; Eph 4:32)
- c. "God meant it for good" v20 (Rom 8:28)
- d. "God will visit you..." v24
 - i. remembrance: see Gen 48:21
 - ii. foreshadows redemption
- e. "God will surely visit you..." v25
 - i. foreshadows resurrection

B. Breakdown of Text

- a. at the end of his life, faith perseveres (2 Tim 4:7)
- b. mention of the exodus, faith stands upon God's faithfulness (2 Tim 2:13)
- c. *directions concerning his bones...* faith stands upon the certainty of God's promises
 - i. Gen 50:25; Heb 6:17

III. An Occasion for Celebration by these Truths

- A. faith is undeterred by imminent death
- **B. faith** clings not to life's temporary comforts (Egypt), but instead, clings to the Lord's eternal claims, commands & promises (Promised Land/gospel)
- **C. faith** does not hold to fanciful myths of immortality by mummified remains (Egypt), but instead, provides an eternal hope in that which is yet to come (Heb 11:13)