Hebrews 11:8-16

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Introduction: Faith in action. Is faith passive? What does faith look like? What does faith do? What does faith look forward to?

- 1. v8, Faith is not passive or inactive. Faith obeys.
- 2. v8, Faith is confident in God's accomplishments, not ours.
- 3. v9, Faith is content with the promise itself.
- 4. v10, Faith knows that it is receiving better than it knows.
- 5. v11, Faith grows in fits and starts. It is confident in God's faithfulness, not ours.
- 6. v12, Faith gets the victory; it receives what was promised.
- 7. v13, Faith looks like failure to the world.
- 8. v13, Faith is ok with looking like failure to the world; its hope isn't in this world (cf. 1Jn 2:15-17)
- 9. v14, Faith's hope is where its home is.
 - a. v15, Faith's home is not in this world.
 - b. v16, Faith's home is in the heavenly world.
 - c. v16, Faith's home is God Himself

Conclusion: Is the Lord God your dwelling place? If heaven is not your home, what business do you have claiming that it is your hope? Your short and inconsequential life is about to end! If your life isn't about God's work, God's glory, and God's beauty, then your life is worthless!