

Hebrews 11:17-40
Commended By Faith, Part 2
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1. In 11:17 it is stated that Abraham was tested. What kind of test was it (multiple choice, essay, true or false)? How did the test work? *See Genesis 22.*
2. What logical contradiction did Abraham face, according to 11:17-18?
3. What was Abraham thinking as he prepared to sacrifice Isaac (11:19)?
4. In what sense did Abraham figuratively receive Isaac back from the dead (11:19)?
5. What made Isaac's blessing of Jacob an act of faith (11:20)? *See Genesis 27.*
6. How is Jacob's faith seen in his blessing of Joseph's sons (11:21)? *See Genesis 48.*
7. How did Joseph show his faith (11:22)? *See Genesis 50:22ff.*
8. What edict from the king caused Moses' parents to have to hide baby Moses (11:23)? *See Exodus 1-2a.*
9. Why were Moses' parents not afraid of the king's edict (11:23)? *See Acts 5:29.*
10. How did his faith motivate Moses to refuse being called the son of Pharaoh's daughter (11:24-25)? *See Exodus 2-4.*
11. According to 11:26, why did Moses, a man with royal Egyptian privileges, get involved with the Hebrews?
12. Moses lived 1,500 years prior to Jesus. How then did Moses suffer the reproach of Christ (11:26)?
13. According to 11:27, Moses left Egypt unafraid of the king's anger. Yet Exodus 2:14-15 clearly states that Moses left in fear after killing the Egyptian. What is the reconciliation? *See Exodus 3-14.*
14. What unusual thing did Moses see, according to 11:27? *See 11:1.*
15. Based on 11:28, what else did his faith move Moses to do? *See 11:1.*

16. Why did the author point out the contrast between the people and the Egyptians in 11:29?
17. By faith the walls of Jericho fell down. Why did the author point out that this happened after seven days of encirclement?
18. How did Rahab's faith save her from physical death (11:31)? *See Joshua 2.*
19. What paradox of faith's outcome is there in 11:32-38?
19. In 11:35, why did some of them refuse to accept release? *See John 5:28-29.*
21. How might 11:26 have especially hit home with the Hebrews readers? *See 10:32-34.*
22. Why was the world not worth of such people (11:38)?
23. What paradox did the author bring out in 11:39?
24. What better promises had God provided for us (11:40)? *See 11:10, 13-16.*
25. What was this information (11:39-40) designed to encourage the Hebrews to do?
See back to 10:23, 35, 36, 38-39, 40 and ahead to 12:1-3.
26. How can 11:39 (and 11:13) be reconciled with such Old Testament declarations as Joshua 21:43-45, 1 Kings 4:20-21 and Nehemiah 9:7-8?

So What?

27. What is the overall point of 11:17-40?
28. From a literary perspective, how does Hebrews 11 relate back to Hebrews 10?