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What Faith Achieves, Endures,  
and Obtains!

Heb.11:30-40

‘Study to show thyself approved unto God...’ – 2 Timothy 2:15  
The importance of reading and learning God’s word is a vital part of  
both growing and also experiencing the blessing of belonging to  
God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.

This truth is one of the purposes why we wish to offer you these  
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## INTRODUCTION

Today we will consider What Saving Faith Achieves, Endures, and Obtains!

Roadmap of where we are at and where we are going:

Enduring Faith Defined (11:1) Exemplified (11:2-40), and finally Commanded (12:1-26).

## HOW THEN ARE WE GOING TO CONSIDER TODAY'S TEXT?

1) vv.30-32 Corporate & Individual Faith

2) vv.33-35 Achievements of Faith

3) vv.36-39 Endurance of Faith

4) vv.39-40 Reward of Faith

### **I. Vv.30-32 CORPORATE & INDIVIDUAL FAITH**

>> *CORPORATE FAITH*

**1 Cor. 12:12** “For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.”

**Biblical Faith Defined** “*Faith is a confident assurance in God’s Faithfulness concerning things/realities hoped for and is a persuasion concerning the promised realities not seen.*”

- CORPORATE FAITH – Can achieve great things!
- LACK THEREOF – Can thwart great things!

**Heb.6:12** “So that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who **through faith** and patience inherit the promises.”

**1 John 5:4** “4For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, **even our faith.**”

**Mth.21:21** “Truly, I say to you, if you have **faith** and do not doubt, you will not only do what has been done to the fig tree, but even if you say to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the sea,’ it will happen.”things!

## >> INDIVIDUAL FAITH

### II. Vv.33-35 ACHEIVEMENTS of FAITH

JOHN OWEN “to confirm in general that faith will do great things of all sorts when we are called to them and also enable us to suffer the greatest, the hardest, and most terrible things.”

These texts provide us with wonderful encouragement to stand in the face of all obstacles that may challenge us in living the life of Faith that God has called us to!

REFLECTION - Do we truly believe our doctrine of God or not?

### III. Vv.36-38 ENDURANCE of FAITH

v.38 The Crowning Commendation “of whom the world was not worthy”

Henry Williams: “The principles which governed their character, and especially the principle of faith which upheld them in all their trials, gave them a moral elevation, surpassing the dignity of wealth or outward station, raising them far above all who acted on worldly maxims, and lived for worldly objects.”

2 Corinthians 12:10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

Acts 5:41 And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.

### IV. Vv.39-40 REWARD of FAITH

2 Timothy 2:12 For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day.

Referring to the OT patriarchs **Heb.6:12** “That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.”

Referring to Abraham specifically **Heb.6:15** “And so, after he had patiently endured, **he obtained the promise.**”

Again the OT saints...11:33 “...obtained promises...”

WHAT THEN IS THE PROMISE NOT GRANTED IN v.39?

**8:6** But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

**9:15** And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance.