

Faith doesn't say, "I think." Faith says, "I know." ~adapted from William Barclay Letter to the Hebrews, page 145

• Hebrews 12:1

The Life of Faith – Part 3

6. Faith acts DESPITE what it sees.

A. Faith trusts God's PROVISION. (Moses)

B. Faith acts even when God's way looks IMPOSSIBLE (Israel)

Faith takes God at His word The test of faith is trusting God when all we have are His promises. ~John MacArthur, Hebrews page 358

C. Faith acts even when God's way looks FOOLISH. (Israel)

[A] life of faith is evidenced by a life of obedience to God's word, even when it seems absurd. ~R. Kent Hughes, Hebrews, vol. 2 page 12

D. Faith acts when taking God's side is COSTLY. (Rahab)

We do not have great faith by having great courage, we have great courage WHEN we have great faith. ~John MacArthur, Hebrews page 361

7. Faith trusts God WITH the outcome.

There was none of them whose faith did not falter. ... In every saint there is always to be found something reprehensible



Nevertheless although faith may be imperfect and incomplete it does not cease to be approved by God. There is no reason, therefore, why the fault from which we labour should break us or discourage us ~John Calvin, in R. Kent Hughes, Hebrews, vol. 2 page 149-150

A. Faith trusts God when He DOES deliver.

Gideon –

Barak –

Samson –

Jephthah –

David –

Samuel –

• 1 Samuel 8:1-3

Prophets –

B. Faith trusts God when He does NOT deliver.

• Matthew 23:31, 37, 1 Corinthians 4:13, Daniel 3:17-18, Hebrews 13:5

8. Faith LOOKS beyond this life.

A. Faith does not need to SEE the promise fulfilled in this life.

B. Faith KNOWS God has something better.

How do I need to respond to live a life of faith?

