Resolved To Walk By Faith

Proclamation Life Groups; Week of Sunday, January 7th, 2018; Steve Thiel

Sermon Theme: As believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, we must understand the obstacles to our faith so that we can attack them knowledgably, courageously, and aggressively, knowing that a spiritual battle is raging for our own soul and the souls of those around us!

I. THE OBSTACLE OF FEAR

- A. According to Hebrews 10:32-39, what could have become an obstacle to the faith of these Christians? How did they end up responding in light of the challenge?
- B. What does Peter say should be our expectation living as Christians in this world? (I Peter 4:12)

II. THE OBSTACLE OF COMFORT

- A. The writer of Hebrews presses us to continue on in faith just as the faithful men and women listed in chapter 11. What two commands does the writer give to help us be faithful? (Hebrews 12:1-2). Can you think of any real or potential "weights" that are holding you down as you run?
- B. Why does John tell us to not love the world? How is worldliness an obstacle to our faith? (1 John 2:15-17) How does Romans 12:2 help us to counteract worldly thinking?
- C. How do Peter's words help clarify the Christian's true identity while living in this world? (1 Peter 1:1, 2:11-12)

III. THE RESOLVE TO WALK BY FAITH

- A. How does Peter motivate us to resolve to walk by faith? (1 Peter 1:13)
- B. As individuals and as a community of believers, what practical steps can you take that will help you in your resolve to walk by faith?