



By Faith

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TODAY'S READING: Hebrews 11

You have probably heard the phrase, "The only sure things in life are death and taxes." What about this one? "You should invest in this or that, it's a sure thing."

Whether we are making a joke or considering an important decision, we like the idea of investing in something we know will yield a return. We are all living in uncertain times in an uncertain world looking for certainty.

The good news is we can swap our uncertainty for certainty, now and in the future. We do not have to buy anything, invest in anything or follow some program. We simply need to follow Jesus. Hebrews 11:17-40 gives examples of people who replaced their human uncertainty with a certainty based on faith in God. They were able to live with confidence knowing that the God they worshipped and served does what He says He will do.

Everyone on this list lived in full faith long before Jesus was born--long before He fulfilled God's plan and promise by delivering us from sin. Everyone mentioned looked forward to the coming Messiah. Faith is easier for us. We have thousands of years of history and the entirety of Jesus' ministry to look to for evidence of God fulfilling His promises. By faith they followed God and persevered with God. We can look at their example and persevere in the faith too. And ultimately, we can look to Jesus, who is the author and perfecter of our faith.

PRAYER: Lord, thank You for Your consistency. You are the same today, tomorrow and yesterday. Thank You for being the rock I can trust to do what You say You will do.

TOMORROW'S READING: Hebrews 12

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