## FAITH Hebrews 11, 12

## Faith is the assurance, the proof and the conviction;

The assurance of things hoped for; the proof of things not seen; and the conviction of their reality.

Faith gives us understanding that the world was created by the Word of God and not by visible things; faith brings righteousness and causes obedience to act for the glory of God; perfect faith pleases God and moves Him to act on behalf of those who walk in it; faith is the tool necessary to approach God for one to believe that He exists.

Faith causes one to believe the unseen and faith brings salvation to those who embrace it; faith leads us to obedience to God's commands and fixes our eyes on the hope, with expectation of our redemption; faith sets the hearts on the spiritual world and gives us the glimpse of the eternal world, where our home is; faith causes us to yarn for our heavenly home and puts us in remembrance that we are strangers here on earth.

Genuine faith goes through the tests believing to have received the promises from Him who is faithful to do what He says He would do and faith reasons God's ability and faithfulness and believes in His promises.

Faith motivates us to look forward to the heavenly treasures and to lose sight of the earthly ones; faith motivates us to take the road of suffering, abuse and shame instead of the road to the wealth of the world; faith strengthens us to leave Egypt behind with its treasures, in pursuit of the heavenly reward.

Faith is the boat in which we can cross the waters of an ocean without being worried and overwhelmed, believing His presence to be always with us; faith destroys any walls of stubbornness and gives us a humble heart before God; faith gives the courage to do what is before us without fear of the unknown and extinguishes the power of darkness with its weapon raging against us.

Faith perseveres in trials of persecution, for it looks beyond life on earth and circumstances, to the heavenly reward promised.

The heroes of faith, although having not received the fulfillment of what was promised, knew and believed that God was going to fulfill His promises sometime in the future even after they had been gone, for they believed that God also had us in mind to be partakers with them in faith.

Since we are surrounded by these witnesses, it is fit for us to rid of all that hinders us from exercising faith in the pursuit of heaven. Let's look forward only to Him Who promised, to Him Who is the author and finisher of our faith- Yahshua. Let's run confidently with hope in suffering, believing for the better things promised, as we are bound to our heavenly abode from where our God waits us!

In regeneration is redemption; in sanctification is the molding into the image of God's Son, Yahshua; in glorification is the fulfillment of God's promise. Think heaven and hold on to the promise of it, for earth is nothing more than a road we must pass through. Never lose sight of the direction to heaven.

Think about it!

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