

“Hand-Me-Down Faith”

Hand-Me-Down Devotion - Part 1

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I Timothy 4:12 (Emphasis added) - “**Set an example** for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity.”

Hebrews 11:6 – “Without faith it is impossible to please God. Anyone who comes to Him must believe He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him.”

II Timothy 1:5 – “I am reminded of your sincere FAITH, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.”

THE NATURE OF FAITH

1. Faith is _____ when I can't see it.

Hebrews 11:1 – “Faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.”

“I saw God everywhere. I saw His presence. I saw His glory in the galaxy. I saw His splendor in the universe. I saw His majesty in the stars. I felt Him. I saw God everywhere!”

- John Glenn

2. Faith is _____ when I don't understand it.

The Example of Noah:

Hebrews 11:7 – "It was by faith that Noah built an ark to save his family from the flood. He obeyed God who warned him about something that had never happened."

Faith includes being obedient to God in advance.

The Example of Abraham:

Hebrews 11:8 – "It was faith that made Abraham obey when God called him and go out to a country God had promised to him. He left his own country without knowing where he was going."

Faith and obedience include taking risks.

3. Faith is _____ when I don't feel like it.

A true mark of maturity is when we choose not to live according to our FEELINGS but by our COMMITMENTS.

Hebrews 11:27 - "It was by faith that Moses left Egypt and was not afraid of the king's anger. He held to his purpose like a man who could see the invisible."