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A THEOLOGY OF REDEMPTION, ATONEMENT AND MINISTRY OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH

Hebrews 11:30-40

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

Your Life - On Faith - Part 6

In everything, the book of Hebrews presents Jesus Christ as the all-sufficient and eternal priest. In all things Jesus Christ is better than Moses, than Angels, than the Law, being the centrality of those ministries.

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rest, hope, promises, oaths, immutability, blessings. Gods' faithfulness.

Hebrews 11:30-40

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YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

1.) You will face impossible situations

vs. 30-31

Verse 30-31

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2.) You will never stand alone

vs. 32-34

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Verse 32

32 And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon....

What more shall we say - Really? An endless testimony throughout the ages.

Malachi 3:16

Then those who feared the LORD spoke to one another, and the LORD listened and heard them; so a book of remembrance was written before Him for those who fear the LORD and who meditate on His name.

Let's Visit Gideon's "Impossible Situation" that Taught him That He "Would Never Have to Stand Alone."

His Life On Faith was the man Gideon - Judges 7

Judges 7:4 -7a

But the LORD said to Gideon, "The people are still too many; bring them down to the water, and I will test them for you there. Then it will be, that of whom I say to you, "This one shall go with you," the same shall go with you; and of whomever I say to you, 'This one shall not go with you,' the same shall not go." 5 So he brought the people down to the water. And the LORD said to Gideon, 6 "Everyone who laps (pulls up to the mouth) from the water with his tongue, as a dog laps, you shall set apart by himself; likewise everyone who gets down on his knees to drink." 7 Then the LORD said to Gideon, "By the three hundred men who lapped pulled up to the mouth) I will save you,

Their Lion Hearts Animated Everything About Them.

Men - Few in Number - but Vigilant Men of Heart & Spirit.

Ya Know Who I Want Around Me in Ministry? - People who are lappers!

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His Life On Faith was the man Barak - Judges 4-8

Judges 4:8

And **Barak** said to Deborah, "If you will go with me, then I will go; but if you will not go with me, I will not go!"

His Life On Faith was the man Samson - Judges 13

Judges 13:24

So the woman bore a son and called his name **Samson**; and the child grew, and the LORD blessed him.

One bizarre Calling – A Man Unbridled

His Life On Faith was the man Jephthah - Judges 11

Judges 11:30-31,34-39a

And Jephthah made a vow to the LORD, and said, "If You will indeed deliver the people of Ammon into my hands, 31 then it will be that whatever comes out of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the people of Ammon, shall surely be the LORD'S, and I will offer it up as a burnt offering...." 34 When Jephthah came to his house at Mizpah, there was his daughter, coming out to meet him with timbrels and dancing; and she was his only child. Besides her he had neither son nor daughter. 35 And it came to pass, when he saw her, that he tore his clothes, and said, "Alas, my daughter! You have brought me very low! You are among those who trouble me! For I have given my word to the LORD, and I cannot go back on it." 36 So she said to him, "My father, if you have given your word to the LORD, do to me according to what has gone out of your mouth, because the LORD has avenged you of your enemies, the people of Ammon." 37 Then she said to her father, "Let this thing be done for me: let me alone for two months, that I may go and wander on the mountains and bewail my virginity, my friends and I." 38 So he said, "Go." And he sent her away for two months; and she went with her friends, and bewailed her virginity on the mountains. 39 And it was so at the end of two months that she returned to her father, and he carried out his vow with her which he had vowed. She knew no man.

There is no doubt that we ought to be careful with our promises and commitments.

Leviticus 20:1-5 NLT

The LORD said to Moses, 2 "Give the people of Israel these instructions, which apply both to native Israelites and to the foreigners living in Israel.

"If any of them offer their children as a sacrifice to Molech, they must be put to death. The people of the community must stone them to death.

3 I myself will turn against them and cut them off from the community, because they have defiled my sanctuary and brought shame on my holy name by offering their children to Molech. 4 And if the people of the community ignore those who offer their children to Molech and refuse to execute them, 5 I myself will turn against them and their families and will cut them off from the community. This will happen to all who commit spiritual prostitution by worshiping Molech.

Jeremiah 7:30-31

For the children of Judah have done evil in My sight," says the LORD. "They have set their abominations in the house which is called by My name, to pollute it. 31 And they have built the high places of Tophet, which is in the Valley of the Son of Hinnom, to burn their sons and their daughters in the fire, which I did not command, nor did it come into My heart.

Jeremiah 19:5

(They (Judah / Israel) have also built the high places of Baal, to burn their sons with fire *for* burnt offerings to Baal, which I did not command or speak, nor did it come into My mind),

That said - Jephthah's daughter would have been dedicated to the Lord & not sacrificed for the Lord

to the service of the LORD for the rest of her life as (like) a Burnt Offering was. The lamentation was that she would have no husband nor a child – thereby ending Jephthah's linage & to pass on his name.

Romans 12:1

I beseech (appeal, urge) you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

His Life On Faith was the man David

Psalm 27:4

One thing I have desired of the LORD,

That will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His temple.

His Life On Faith was the man Samuel

1 Samuel 1:10-11

And Hanna was in bitterness of soul, and prayed to the LORD and wept in anguish. 11

Then she made a vow and said, "O LORD of hosts, if You will indeed look on the affliction of Your maidservant and remember me, and not forget Your maidservant, but will give Your maidservant a male child, then I will give him to the LORD all the days of his life, and no razor shall come upon his head."

Their Lives On Faith were The Prophets

There is no more of a lofty nor powerful calling upon a human life than to be that of a Prophet of the Living God.

Verse 33

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33 who THROUGH faith...

Through grk: dia

By the means of, on account of, by the agency of, by way of.

Subdued grk: katagonizomai {KINGDOMS}

to struggle against until conquered, to war on or to fight until.(1).

Worked grk: ergazomai {RIGHTEOUSNESS}

(implying) to stay at it until you see the results of your efforts, to continue on until the desired goal is accomplished, achieved.

Obtained grk: epitugchano {PROMISES}

from 1909 and 5177; to light upon, i.e. to obtain: —obtain(1), obtained(4).

Stopped grk: phrasso {LIONS}

to fence in, to stop up, to lock-down. to close, or shut.

Verse 34

34 quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

Quenched grk: sbennumi

to extinguish, to put out, to dowse, to smother (as by blood)

X Marks The Spot

of the Burning of John Foxe, Hugh Latimer, Nicholas Ridley,

https://www.historytoday.com/archive/months-past/latimer-and-ridley-burned-stake

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Hugh Latimers Final words went down in history as he shouted to Nicholas Ridley

Be of good comfort. Master Ridley, and play the man:

we shall this day light such a candle by God's grace in England as shall never be put out"

16, October 1555 Broad Street, Oxford, England

Escaped grk: pheugo

to flee from, flee away, to have had to run away from

(as in an animal being hunted.

Weakness grk: astheneia

frailty, ailments, diseases, infirmities, various sicknesses.

Strong grk: endunamoo

to be made stronger for it, empowered by it, to grow by increasing

strength. going from strong to stronger to strongest.

Valiant grk: ischuros

becoming mighty, becoming mightier, becoming the mightiest.

Turned grk: klino

to put to flight, to cause to bend or to be bowed down,

YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

3.) You will always be in the fellowship vs. 35-38

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YOUR LIFE ON FAITH

4.) You will have everything you need

vs. 39-40

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39 And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, **40** God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

Testimony grk: martureo

to bear witness to, to testify, to give an accurate account

Better grk: kreitton

(by fulfillment – giving what was needed, stronger, greater.

Perfect grk: teleioo

to bring to an end or to completion, to finish.



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