

Profiles in Faith: Live the Story

Hebrews 11:1–40

1. **What Is Faith?**

Hebrews 11:1, 6

Faith is absolute confidence in the _____ of God.

2. **What Does Faith Look Like?**

Hebrews 11:2ff

Qualities of Faith

1. Faith is
2. Faith does not act
3. Faith
4. Faith often sacrifices the
5. Faith dares to
6. Faith may not be

Will you “live the story”?

For the Family

Read Hebrews 11:24–26 (NCV) – *It was by faith that Moses, when he grew up, refused to be called the son of the king of Egypt’s daughter. He chose to suffer with God’s people instead of enjoying sin for a short time. He thought it was better to suffer for the Christ than to have all the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking for God’s reward.*

Explain that Moses could have chosen to live in the comfort, ease and luxury of the king’s palace. But God called him to lead his people out of slavery to the king. If he obeyed God, he would become an enemy of the king. He chose to obey God, even though it would be difficult. He gave up comfort that would last only a short time, for God’s reward, which would last forever.

Talk together about how sometimes we have to do something difficult for awhile, knowing that we will be rewarded later.

Choose a chore like mowing the lawn, or cleaning your room. It isn’t really fun to do, and it may even be hard sometimes. You may want to stop and go play a video game, but you need to keep going until it is done. Then you will get the reward. You have a nice lawn or a clean room, and maybe a reward from mom or dad. But you have to do the work first.

Moses chose to do what was hard for awhile because he wanted to please God. He knew that God would reward him later. He was willing to do the right thing, and he was willing to wait for God.

Read Hebrews 11:6 (NCV) – *But without faith no one can please God. We must believe that God is real and that he rewards everyone who searches for him.*

Moses believed that God was real, even though he couldn’t see him. He trusted that God would reward him, even though he would have to wait. Moses had faith.

Pray together that you will choose to obey God, even when it is hard. Ask him to help you to be able to wait for your reward. Tell him that you believe he is real, and that you want to please him.