

Why Me?

The Legacy of Faith

Sometimes it seems like people in the Bible did some of the strangest things. To the dismay of all his neighbors, Noah built a huge boat in his own backyard. Abraham packed up everything he owned and left his perfectly good home to go live someplace ... he just didn't know where someplace was going to be. Crazy people? Some might think so. This week we'll be checking to see if there was a method for their madness.

Hebrews 11:13–16, 39–40

1. God's vision is _____.
2. God's vision _____ our own vision.
3. God's vision must be _____.
4. God's vision causes us to do _____ for God.

My Count Me In! Commitments

- I'll be here next Sunday
- I'll invite a friend
- I will pray daily for the next 7 days that God will capture me with his vision
- I will be a part of fulfilling the mission God has given to RCC
- I will share the RCC vision with someone I know this week

Additional Notes

Digging Deeper and Going Further

Read Hebrews 11:7–40. This continues as one of the more “famous” Bible passages. Hebrews 11 is often called the *Faith Chapter*. The original readers of these verses were struggling with their faith ... they expected “results” and “results now!” But the culture in which they lived was decidedly anti-Christian to the point that it wasn’t just inconvenient to be people of faith, it was dangerous as well. And so the writer of Hebrews addresses that issue by pointing to the patient faith of those who had gone before.

1. Of all those listed as faithful, which “hero of the faith” would you most like to emulate ... and why?

2. What rewards did these faithful men and women experience in their lifetimes? (Careful, there are *some* who received reward.)

3. What “promises” were given to these faithful men and women that “none of them received”? (11:39)

4. What are some of the promises God has given you? (List some on your own, but if you need help, here are a few: 1 Cor 16:18; Eph 1:13; 1 Jn 1:9; James 1:5; Jn 14:12)

5. Have you received all of these promises? If not, which are you waiting for?

6. What would it look like in your life if you “acted” as if you have complete faith that these promises were going to be fulfilled?
