



BELIEVE

Exploring What You BELIEVE
from the BIBLE'S Hall of Faith

**Do You Believe
God Holds Your Future?**

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The Af*ar of Ethiopia.

We ask all this for the glory of Your name.

“For My House Shall Be Called A House Of Prayer For All Nations.” Isaiah 56:7

Please pray for this request shared during last week’s worship service.

**Pray for
others**

Yo creo

¿Crees que Dios sostiene tu futuro?

Hebreos 11:20-22 – 29 Mayo 2022

YO CREO			
<i>Explorando lo que crees del salón de la fe de la Biblia</i>			
Fecha	Título	Hebreos	Fe Aquí
17 Abril	¿Crees en la Resurrección?	11:1-2	Jesus
24 Abril	¿Crees que Dios creó todo?	11:3	Tu
1 Mayo	¿Crees en el Rapto?	11:4-6	Enóc
8 Mayo	¿Crees en Noé y el Diluvio?	11:7	Noé
15 Mayo	¿Crees en los milagros?	11:8-16	Sara
22 Mayo	¿Crees en rendirte a Dios?	11:17-19	Abraham
29 Mayo	¿Crees que Dios sostiene tu futuro?	11:20-22	José
5 Junio	¿Crees que Dios es más importante que el dinero?	11:23-27	Moisés
12 Junio	¿Crees en la intervención divina?	11:28-29	Moisés
19 Junio	¿Crees que Dios puede usar a personas pecadoras?	11:30-31	Rahab
26 Junio	¿Crees que tienes suficiente fe?	11:32-40	Daniel
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Ejemplos audaces de los patriarcas sobre cómo confiarle a Dios su futuro (Hebreos 11:20-22)

1. El ejemplo de José: Confía en Dios con tu futuro reclamando _____ por fe (v.22)

- **Génesis 50:24-26** – *Entonces José dijo a sus hermanos: "Estoy a punto de morir. Pero Dios ciertamente vendrá en su ayuda y los sacaré de esta tierra a la tierra que prometió con juramento a Abraham, Isaac y Yaakov". Y José hizo que los hijos de Israel hicieran un juramento y dijo: "Dios ciertamente vendrá en su ayuda, y entonces deben llevar mis huesos de este lugar". Así murió José a la edad de ciento diez años. Y después que lo embalsamaron, lo pusieron en un ataúd en Egipto.*
- ¿Por qué el autor de Hebreos (inspirado por el Espíritu Santo) eligió este acto de fe para encomiar a José en el Salón de la Fe de la Biblia? Por qué no...
- Quizás porque es el único acto de fe de José que no vio cumplido en vida (Hebreos 11:13).
- Myron Head: "Durante los siguientes 400 años, cuando el pueblo de Israel se convirtió en esclavo de los egipcios, debe haberles dado una gran esperanza ver el ataúd con los huesos de José, que sirvió como un recordatorio de la promesa de Dios de que los libraría de esclavitud y llevarlos de regreso a la Tierra Prometida".

- José estaba creyendo (por fe) la promesa de Dios a su bisabuelo Abraham 286 años antes en Génesis 15:13-16.
- **Génesis 15:13-16** – *Entonces el Señor le dijo a Abram: "Ten por cierto que tu descendencia será extranjera en tierra ajena, y será esclavizada y maltratada durante cuatrocientos años. Pero yo castigaré a la nación servid como esclavos, y después ellos saldrán con muchas posesiones. Tú, sin embargo, irás a tus padres en paz y serás sepultado en buena vejez. En la cuarta generación tu descendencia volverá aquí..."*
- **2 Pedro 1:4** – *Dios nos ha dado sus grandísimas y preciosas promesas.*
- ¿A qué "preciosas y grandísimas promesas" podría haberse aferrado Pedro en sus últimos días antes de su martirio?
 - Salmo 23:4
 - Juan 10:25-26
- Algunas preciosas y grandes promesas a las que aferrarse

ALGUNAS GRANDES Y PRECIOSAS PROMESAS		
Fuerza Salmo 18:32; Isaías 40:31	Guía Juan 16:13	Ayuda Isaías 41:10-14
Instrucción Salmo 32:8; Juan 14:26	Sabiduría Proverbios 2:6-8; Santiago 1:5	Cielo Juan 14:1-3; 2 Pedro 3:13
El espíritu santo Hechos 2:33; Ef. 1:13	alegría Salmo 132:16; Gálatas. 5:22	Vida espiritual Romanos 8:9-13
resurrección Juan 11:25	Gracia suficiente 2 Corinto 12:9	Recompensas eternas 1 Timoteo 4:8; Santiago 1:12
Oración contestada 1 Juan 5:14-15	Provisión Financiera Filipenses 4:19	Perdón 1 Juan 1:9
El regreso de un hijo pródigo prov. 22:6; Lucas 15:17	Terminará su obra Filipenses 1:6	Sanidad Isaías 53:5
Alcanzando a las Naciones Mate. 24:14; 28:18-20	Unidad en el Matrimonio Génesis 2:24-25	Todo lo puedo Filipenses 4:13

- Aplicación #1 – Como José y Pedro, voy a vivir una vida de fe conociendo y creyendo en las promesas de Dios al...

2. Los ejemplos de Isaac y Jacob: Confía en Dios con el futuro al invocar _____ en otros por fe (vv.20-21)

- Esta es la única vez en el Salón de la Fe de la Biblia que el mismo acto de fe se repite dos veces, es decir, la entrega de una bendición. ¡Debe ser muy importante que te mencionen dos veces!
 - Isaac bendice a Jacob y Esaú en Génesis 27

- Jacob bendice a sus dos nietos en Génesis 48
- Diccionario Bíblico de Nelson: “BENDECIR – El acto de declarar, o desear, el favor y la bondad de Dios sobre los demás. la bendición es no sólo el buen efecto de las palabras; también tiene el poder de hacerlos realidad.”
- John Ortberg: “La bendición es la proyección del bien en la vida de otro”.
- Tony Evans: “Padres, nuestro trabajo es dejar un legado espiritual para nuestros hijos. Transmitir una herencia espiritual. De la misma manera que les dejas a tus hijos tus bienes físicos a través de un testamento físico, les dejas a tus hijos un legado espiritual a través de tu testamento espiritual. Pero no puedes transmitir lo que no posees personalmente”.
- Aplicación #2 – Por fe voy a aprovechar el poder de la bendición al...
- **CÓMO DAR LA BENDICIÓN A ALGUIEN:**
 - (1) Imponga las manos sobre la persona que está bendiciendo (Génesis 48:13-14)
 - (2) Pronunciar palabras de bendición y declarar un futuro piadoso sobre ellos (Génesis 48:15-16,20)
 - Números 6:24-26** – *El Señor te bendiga y te guarde; el Señor haga resplandecer su rostro sobre ti y tenga de ti misericordia; el Señor alce sobre ti su rostro y te dé la paz.*

Que el Señor... (habla/ora las cosas positivas que Dios pone en tu mente y corazón para esa persona)

- (3) Creer que así será (Hebreos 11:21).
- Aplicación #3 – Tengo un sueño de que seamos una congregación de personas que bendicen a otros y al Señor como un estilo de vida. ¿Qué podría pasar si bendijéramos regularmente a personas en nuestra familia, nuestro círculo de amigos, nuestra escuela, nuestro lugar de trabajo, nuestro vecindario, nuestra iglesia y en las naciones?
 - Nota: Hay un sutil recordatorio en Hebreos 11:21 de la cadera desplazada de Jacob cuando dice que Jacob se inclinó sobre la punta de su bastón. Jacob había luchado con Dios en Génesis 32:24-32 y salió con una cadera dislocada. A partir de ese día, Jacob caminó con una cojera que le recordó para siempre su encuentro con Dios a orillas del río Jacob.
 - Aplicación #4 – Señor, ¿cómo quieres usar mis cicatrices y debilidades para ministrar a otros? Con Tu gracia, ayuda y poder, elijo no ocultar mi cojera, sino dejar que me recuerde mi encuentro contigo y compartirlo con otros para su aliento.

- Rick Warren: "Si todas las personas ven tus fortalezas, se desaniman y piensan: 'Bien, bien por ella, pero nunca podré hacer eso'. Pero cuando ven que Dios te usa a pesar de tus debilidades, los alienta a pensar: "¡Tal vez Dios pueda usarme!" Nuestras fortalezas crean competencia, pero nuestras debilidades crean comunidad. Otras personas van a encontrar sanidad en tus heridas. Tus más grandes mensajes de vida y tu ministerio más efectivo saldrán de tus heridas más profundas. Las cosas de las que estás más avergonzado, y más renuente a compartir son las mismas herramientas que Dios puede usar con más poder para sanar a otros".

Aplicación de la serie de sermones: cuando mi vida termine, ¿cuál quiero que sea mi epitafio de fe?

Mi epitafio "Por fe"

Por fe...

I Believe

“Do You Believe God Holds Your Future?” Hebrews 11:20-22 – May 29, 2022

I BELIEVE			
<i>Exploring What You Believe from the Bible's Hall of Faith</i>			
Date	Message Title	Hebrews	Faith Hero
April 17	Do You Believe in the Resurrection?	11:1-2	Jesus
April 24	Do You Believe That God Created Everything?	11:3	You
May 1	Do You Believe in the Rapture?	11:4-6	Enoch
May 8	Do You Believe in Noah and the Flood?	11:7	Noah
May 15	Do You Believe in Miracles?	11:8-16	Sarah
May 22	Do You Believe in Surrendering to God?	11:17-19	Abraham
May 29	Do You Believe God Holds Your Future?	11:20-22	Patriarchs
June 5	Do You Believe God is More Important Than Money?	11:23-27	Moses
June 12	Do You Believe in Divine Intervention?	11:28-29	Moses
June 19	Do You Believe God Can Use Sinful People?	11:30-31	Rahab
June 26	Do You Believe That You Have Enough Faith?	11:32-40	Daniel
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Bold Examples from the Patriarchs on How to Trust God with Your Future (Hebrews 11:20-22)

1. The Example of Joseph: Trust God with your future by claiming _____ by faith (v.22)

- **Genesis 50:24-26** – *Then Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die. But God will surely come to your aid and take you up out of this land to the land He promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." And Joseph made the sons of Israel swear an oath and said, "God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up from this place." So Joseph died at the age of a hundred and ten. And after they embalmed him, he was placed in a coffin in Egypt.*
- Why did the writer of Hebrews (inspired by the Holy Spirit) choose this act of faith to commend Joseph for in the Bible's Hall of Faith? Why not...
- Perhaps because it is the only faith act of Joseph that he did not see fulfilled while he was still alive (Hebrews 11:13).
- Myron Head: "Over the next 400 years as the people of Israel became slaves to the Egyptians, it must have given them great hope to see the coffin box with Joseph's bones which served as a reminder of God's promise that He would deliver them from slavery and take them back to the Promised Land."
- Joseph was believing (by faith) God's promise to his great granddaddy Abraham 286 years earlier in Genesis 15:13-16.

- **Genesis 15:13-16** – *Then the Lord said to Abram, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own, and they will be enslaved and mistreated four hundred years. But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. You, however, will go to your fathers in peace and be buried at a good old age. In the fourth generation your descendants will come back here...."*
- **2 Peter 1:4** – *God has given us His very great and precious promises.*
- What “very great and precious promises” might Peter have been clinging to in his final days before his martyrdom?
 - Psalm 23:4
 - John 10:25-26
- Some precious and great promises to cling to

SOME VERY GREAT AND PRECIOUS PROMISES		
Strength Psalm 18:32; Isaiah 40:31	Guidance John 16:13	Help Isaiah 41:10-14
Instruction Psalm 32:8; John 14:26	Wisdom Prov 2:6-8; James 1:5	Heaven John 14:1-3; 2 Peter 3:13
The Holy Spirit Acts 2:33; Eph. 1:13	Joy Psalm 132:16; Gal. 5:22	Spiritual Life Romans 8:9-13
Resurrection Life John 11:25	Sufficient Grace 2 Corinth 12:9	Eternal Rewards 1 Tim 4:8; James 1:12
Answered Prayer 1 John 5:14-15	Financial Provision Philippians 4:19	Forgiveness 1 John 1:9
Return of a Prodigal Prov. 22:6; Luke 15:17	He Will Finish His Work Philippians 1:6	Healing Isaiah 53:5
Reaching the Nations Matt. 24:14; 28:18-20	Marriage Oneness Genesis 2:24-25	I Can Do All Things Philippians 4:13

- Application #1 – Like Joseph and Peter, I am going to live a life of faith through knowing and believing God’s promises by...

2. The Examples of Isaac and Jacob: Trust God with the future by invoking _____ on others by faith (vv.20-21)

- This is the only time in the Bible’s Hall of Faith that the same act of faith is repeated twice – namely, the giving of a blessing. It must be really important to be mentioned twice!
 - Isaac blesses Jacob and Esau in Genesis 27
 - Jacob blesses his two grandsons in Genesis 48
- Nelson’s Bible Dictionary: “BLESS – The act of declaring, or wishing, God’s favor and goodness upon others. The blessing is not only the good effect of words; it also has the power to bring them to pass.”
- John Ortberg: “Blessing is the projection of good into the life of another.”

- Tony Evans: “Parents, our job is to leave a spiritual legacy for our children. To pass on a spiritual heritage. In the same way that you leave your children your physical assets through a physical will, you leave your children a spiritual legacy through your spiritual will. But you cannot pass on what you do not personally possess.”
- Application #2 – By faith I am going to tap into the power of the blessing by...
- **HOW TO GIVE THE BLESSING TO SOMEONE:**
 - (1) Lay hands on the person you are blessing (Genesis 48:13-14)
 - (2) Speak words of blessing and declare a Godly future over them (Genesis 48:15-16,20)
 - Numbers 6:24-26** – The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.*
 - May the Lord...** (speak/pray the positive things God puts in your mind and heart for that person)*
 - (3) Believe that it will be so (Hebrews 11:21).
- Application #3 – I have a dream of us being a congregation of people who bless others and the Lord as a lifestyle. What could happen if we regularly blessed people in our family, our friend circle, our school, our workplace, our neighborhood, our church, and in the nations?
- Note: There is a subtle reminder in Hebrews 11:21 of Jacob’s displaced hip when it says that Jacob bowed over the head of his staff. Jacob had wrestled with God in Genesis 32:24-32 and came away with a displaced hip. From that day forward, Jacob walked with a limp that forever reminded him of his encounter with God on the banks of the Jabbok River.
- Application #4 – Lord, how do You want to use my scars and weaknesses to minister to others? With Your grace and help and power, I choose not to hide my limp, but to let it remind me of my encounter with You and to share it with others for their encouragement.
- Rick Warren: “If all people see are your strengths, they get discouraged and think, ‘Well, good for her, but I’ll never be able to do that.’ But when they see God using you in spite of your weaknesses, it encourages them to think, ‘Maybe God can use me!’ Our strengths create competition, but our weaknesses create community. Other people are going to find healing in your wounds. Your greatest life messages and your most effective ministry will come out of your deepest hurts. The things you’re most embarrassed about, most ashamed of, and most reluctant to share are the very tools God can use most powerfully to heal others.”

Sermon Series Application – When my life is over, what do I want my faith epitaph to be?

My “By Faith” Epitaph

By faith...

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July 24–28, 2022

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Email Nidia Rivera at NRivera@WhatsGrace.org for more info and to Register for our next session

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Missions

Save the Date October 23, 2022: Grace Fellowship will be participating in "Church Has Left the Building." We will be going out in to the community to serve in numerous areas as one church!

2022 Mission Trips: Teams will be traveling within the U.S. and internationally, including among our UPGs! Register soon—teams are filling up quickly!

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Prayer

Global Day of Prayer, June 5, 6PM at North Katy Campus: Join the city as we humble ourselves, seek God's face, and cry out to God together with every continent on the planet.

Prayer Line: (281) 398-2GOD

Online Prayer: WhatsGrace.org/Prayer-Wall

Kids Ministry

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Getting Connected is a Priority! Get connected every Wednesday from 6—8PM at North Katy Campus.

Contact Kyle at KWelsh@WhatsGrace.org for more information.

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