



FAITH Series - Not Prospering Yet Prevailing

These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect. -Hebrews 11:39-40 NIV

1. How is your Christmas shopping going?
(A) I have not even started! (B) Started, but not done. (C) I am already done!
2. Pastor Dan spoke of the Prosperity Gospel in reference to these questions: *Does God want you to be rich? And if you are not rich, is it because you lack faith?* Read Hebrews 11:35-38. Also read John 16:33. How do these readings contradict the teachings of the Prosperity Gospel?
3. Matthew 12:34 says ...*For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.* Pastor Dan referenced Matthew 6:21, *For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.* So, based on the words that you speak, what would other people think that you treasure and does that line up with what you actually treasure?
4. Hebrews 12:1-3 can be summarized in this way; *Faith is having the perseverance to keep believing and trusting the author and perfecter of our faith, by keeping our eyes on Jesus, so that, we will not grow weary or lose heart but finish the race marked out for us.* What does "keeping our eyes on Jesus" (v. 2) mean? How do we do it?
5. What are some of the Faith lessons you have learned in this series? How can you take what you've learned and make them part of your daily life?
6. Pastor Dan talked about giving during the message. He mentioned Giving Tuesday and the Christmas Outreach Offering. If you have the opportunity, can you give more than you normally do (no need to mention a specific dollar amount)? If money is extremely tight, what are other ways you can give (or give back) during this time?