

Summit Woods Baptist Church  
Sermon Study Equipping Class

Hebrews 11:23-29

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

❖ Day 1

Read Hebrews 11:23-29.

For these lessons, the sermon text is provided in a format that visually helps display the structure of the paragraph or section of text. The main verbs are underlined. Commands are double-underlined. Generally, the main indicative clauses remain to the left, and the other clauses are either directly underneath when they have equal priority to what comes before, or are tabbed to the right when the clause supports, develops, or draws a conclusion from a neighboring clause.

- 23** By faith Moses,  
when he was born,  
was hidden for three months by his parents,  
because they saw he was a beautiful child;  
and they were not afraid of the king's edict.
- 24** By faith Moses,  
when he had grown up,  
refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter,  
**25** choosing rather to endure ill-treatment with the people of God  
than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin,  
**26** considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt;  
for he was looking to the reward.
- 27** By faith  
he left Egypt,  
not fearing the wrath of the king;  
for he endured,  
as seeing Him who is unseen.
- 28** By faith  
he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of the blood,  
so that he who destroyed the firstborn would not touch them.
- 29** By faith  
they passed through the Red Sea  
as though *they were passing* through dry land;  
and the Egyptians, when they attempted it, were drowned.

1. Who is the example of living by faith in this section?

2. Whose faith is expressed and explained in v. 23?

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3. What are the two reasons Moses' parents hid him according to v. 23?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What does it mean that Moses was a beautiful child? (cf. Acts 7:20, Ex 2:2)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Read Exodus 2:11-15. Read Hebrews 11:24-26. Describe the actions of Moses in these verses. What was going on behind the scenes in Moses' heart and mind that are explained in Heb 11, but not in Ex 2?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. Describe the various contrasts in vv. 24-26.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. What is the key to choosing the eternal over the temporal, like Moses did here?

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❖ Day 2

Read Hebrews 11:23-29 again.

8. Think on the words, “choosing” in v. 25 and “considering” in v. 26. What do these tell you about the nature of living by faith?

9. What reward was Moses looking to in v. 26?

10. How might Heb 11:24-26 be helpful for you when you deal with sin and temptation?

11. What is the relationship between living by faith and fearing man in v. 23 and 27?

12. How do Heb 11:27 and Ex 2:14 line up? Was Moses afraid or was he not?

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13. How did Moses endure according to v. 27? How does this relate to the nature of faith as we've seen it in Heb 11?

❖ Day 3

Read Hebrews 11:23-29 again.

14. What was the Passover? (cf. Exodus 12:1-36)

15. Why would it have required faith to keep the Passover as described in v. 28?

16. Why did they keep the Passover according to v. 28?

17. Who is "he who destroyed the firstborn"?

18. Why would it have required faith to walk through the Red Sea?

19. What contrast is drawn in v. 29?

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20. Why did the Egyptians drown, and the Hebrews pass through on dry land?

21. Summarize this passage in one sentence.

22. How should this passage shape your life this week?

23. How might this passage be helpful in sharing the gospel with someone in love with the world?

In preparation for Sunday, pray that we would walk by faith in God's promises, that we would not fear man, and that we would see the surpassing riches of Christ more alluring than the passing pleasures of sin.