Series: By Faith: The Definition of Faith

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Hebrews 11:4-7

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Christians are not different because they have faith. Christians are different because of the object of their faith.

Everybody lives by faith; the question is: faith in what?

The Definition of faith:

What does it mean to believe that God exists?

If you believe that God exists - three things you must believe:

1.You must believe that God is _____. (24)

2.You must believe that God is _____. (26) (27)

3.You must believe that God is _____.

Three Examples of Faith:

_____ - (Genesis 4:1-5)

_____ - (Genesis 5:18-24)

_____ - (Genesis 6-10)

Community Group Questions

1. If you believe in God, you must believe that He is the creator. This belief shows us God is the origin owner, and center of all things. However, you frequently love as if you are the one on the throne of creation. What are the specific areas of your life you struggle to give to God?

2. If you believe in God, you must believe He is sovereign. Read Acts 17:26-28. What stands out to you about this passage? How does that affect your everyday life?

3. If you believe in God, you must believe that He is your Savior. But you will never believe in a Savior unless you believe the greatest problem of the world lives inside of you. Do you ever live as if you don't need a savior? Honestly describe those moments when you pointed the finger instead of running to Jesus for help.

4. True faith leads to acceptable worship in God beyond Sunday morning. What are some ways you can cultivate a lifestyle of worship?

5. Knowing the God who has created everything is near to you and has saved you creates a life of willing obedience. How can you remind yourself of your identity as a child of God even when you don't want to obey His call? Be specific and practical.

6. True faith endures and will allow you to endure the circumstances of your life because it gives you trust in the one who controls those circumstances. What areas of your life are difficult for you right now? How does faith help you see beyond your circumstances to God's greater reward?

7. Pray for one another. Ask God to grant an access road for our new property via the City of Austin. Ask God to deepen your relationship with Him through reading His word and personal prayer time. Ask God for greater faith.

