

**Jesus is better!**  
**Hebrews 11:1-3**

**FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE**

- 1) Salvation is a gift of God, and part of that gift is faith itself.
- 2) Three stages to faith that God honors:
  - Felt Need—Felt need does not require theological understanding of the doctrine of salvation, only a sincere heart that knows it needs salvation.
  - Content—A person does not have to comprehend the full knowledge of the doctrine of salvation before he can be saved, but he does need the gospel truth (1 Corinthians 15:1–5) that he is lost in sin and needs Jesus as Savior.
  - Commitment—A believer must totally commit his life to the Lord Jesus.
- 3) 11:1 If faith is a gift from God, then it is God’s way of giving me confidence that what He promised will be accomplished.
- 4) 11:1 True Biblical faith is confident submission to God’s Word in spite of circumstances, not in spite of evidence.
- 5) 11:1 The promises given to the Old Testament saints were so real to them that they based their lives on them. They took God at His word.
- 6) 11:1 Their faith in things yet unseen gave present assurance to what was yet future.
- 7) 11:2 Faith is not simply one way among many to please God; it is the only way!
- 8) 11:3 The visible universe is not sufficient to account for itself. It is faith (not something material) that assures us it originated with God.

- 9) 11:3 A great deal of what our God has done and is doing is only grasped by faith.

“Faith enables the believing soul to treat the future as present and the invisible as seen.” ~Dr. J. Oswald Sanders

**GREEK WORDS**

Hypostasis (hoop-os'-tas-is)—compound (hupo) and (histemi)—something deeply established; a setting under (support), concrete essence :- confidence, substance

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