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Hebrews 11:1-3 Assurance & Conviction



Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. 2 For by it the people of old received their commendation. 3 By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

Hebrews 10:39

39 But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.



Three Elements of Faith: 1. Faith fixes it's thoughts on the coming One, Jesus Christ 2. Faith receives God verdict of righteousness 3. Faith does not shrink back in the face of suffering.

Hebrews 11:39 39 And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised



"This is divine, supernatural, justifying, and saving faith. It is the faith of God's elect, the faith that is not of ourselves but God's work, with which all true believers are endowed from above."



"If you are absolutely gripped by the coming realities that have been promised to you by God, then how you live your life in the present will be radically different than if you did not possess such certainty. This is what faith is my friends: Positive certainty expressed in action." Art Azurdia

Salvation is by faith and faith is a gift from God. **Ephesians 2:8-9** 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, 9 not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Faith believes God, as He is revealed in scripture and makes it possible for us to please Him. Hebrews 11:6 6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

Faith distinguishes between those who belong to God and those who do not. Hebrews 10:39 39 But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who have faith and preserve their souls.

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Faith produces action. James 2:17 17 So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead.



27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." 28 Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."