

A. My faith will produce a _____ – **Hebrews 11:8** - *By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.*

1. The _____ of Abraham's faith
 - a. The means of obedience – By means of or by faith
 - b. The reason of obedience – Being called (by God) to go out
- He responded to the revelation of God – Genuine faith is always a response to what God says, never to what I feel alone
 - c. The scope of obedience – to listen and obey (Greek “upokouo”)
Completed action in the past – It was decisive with no going back
 - 1) He left behind the familiar life – **Genesis 11;27-12:3**
 - 2) He left behind the former life – **Joshua 24:2**
 - d. The reward for obedience – to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance
 - 1) All he had was a promise but that was from God so he banked on it
 - 2) The place (Greek ‘topos’) is the land of Canaan
 - 3) It's about to be received for an inheritance -When Abraham left he was told there would be a land but he didn't know what it would be.

2. The _____ of Abraham's faith
 - a) He went out –He left it all behind (completed action)
 - b) Not knowing factual speaking where he was going – He didn't know how to get there either

B. My faith will produce _____ – **Hebrews 11:9–10** - *By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. ¹⁰For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.*

1. The _____ of Abraham's faith
 - a. The secret for waiting - By faith
 - b. The setting of waiting – *he went to live in the land of promise* – right where God had led him.to be
 - c. The situation of waiting – *as in a foreign land, living in tents* – Note the temporariness, its not his home
 - d. The partners in waiting – with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. – living by faith is a personal lifestyle and a permanent legacy

2. The _____ of Abraham's faith
 - a. For = “The Great Because”
 - b. He was looking forward (Greek “ekdexomai” – to look forward to”)
 - c. The city specificity– a particular city
 - d. This city's foundation God - (Greek “themelios)
 - e. This city's designer - God (Greek “technites”)
 - f. This city's maker – God (demiourgos)
- He wouldn't settle for anything less than what God had for Him
- It would be 800 years before all this would be fulfilled completely

C. My faith will produce _____ – **Hebrews 11:11-12** - *By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹²Therefore from one man, and him as good as dead, were born descendants as many as the stars of heaven and as many as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore.*

1. The _____ of Sarah's faith
 - a. The _____ of her faith - By faith barren Sarah herself
Greek “steiros” - infertile
 - b. The _____ of her faith – received power (Greek “dunamis”)
- to the conception of seed (thought of implantation)
 - c. The _____ of her faith – She bore a child when she was past age because she considered (Greek “**hēgēōmai**”) faithful, the one promising – she took God at His word
2. The _____ of Sarah's faith
 - a. As a result
 - b. From one was procreated and he as good as dead
 - c. Just as the stars from heaven in large number
 - d. As the sand by the seashore – innumerable
 - f. An enduring nation is the legacy of Sarah's faith

- D. My faith produces a _____ – **Hebrews 11:13-16**
1. The _____ of the faithful - **Hebrews 11:13** - *These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.*
 - a. According to faith – after the norm of faith just mentioned
 - b. These all died – Abraham, Sarah, Isaac and Jacob
 - c. Not receiving the promises – they didn't yet get the land

- d. But – in strong contrast
- e. Having seen them afar off – from a long distance (Greek “porrothen)
- f. And having greeted them – to greet or salute – see **10:36 & 11:39**
- g. Having confessed also that they are foreigners & pilgrims upon the earth
 - Confess – to say the thing
 - Aliens – strangers, don’t belong here
 - Pilgrims – one who comes from a foreign country to live in another
 - Upon the earth – **Philippians 3:20-21**
 - Allegiance, hope, future etc. is in God’s promises

2. The _____ of the faithful – **Hebrews 11:14** - *For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland.*

- a. Such ones – the before mentioned
- b. Make visible, cause to be seen (Greek “emphanizo “)
- c. Saying they seek a country – Lit. “a fatherland” (Greek “patrida” – get our word “patriot” from)
- d. Nothing on earth will ever fulfill us like God’s place for us in heaven

3. The _____ of the faithful- **Hebrews 11:15-16a** - *If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return. ¹⁶But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one.*

- a. What it is not – To return
 - If they had called to mind continually
 - They would have opportunity to return
 - Never gave it a prolonged thought – Abraham didn’t even return to get his son a bride
- b. What it is – But now they desire a better, that is a heavenly country
 - continually desiring – Greek “orego” – to reach out shows personal effort
 - better = better than this world can offer
 - wanted what only God could offer

4. The _____ of the faithful – **Hebrews 11:16b** - *Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.*

- a. A Covenant– therefore God is not ashamed to call them God’s
 - They honored Him by trusting Him so He honored them – **Exodus 3:6** and **Leviticus 26:12**
- b. A City – for he has prepared for them a city, - Completed action, it’s already done - - A city = The New Jerusalem - **Revelation 21:2**

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