

Faith
Hebrews 11:1-39
LG Questions for 06/08/08

Getting Started:

1) Think about a time in your life when you hoped for something. A time when the hope produced in you came from a significant need or deficit in your situation. Why was the need or discontentment there? Did your hope for a solution/resolution come about? As the answer/solution was coming how did it effect your since of need or deficit?

Getting into the Bible

2) Read Hebrews 11:1a. To hope in something means that the current state of your life is a state of discontentment. Agree/disagree? Why?

3) Read Hebrews 11:1b. Faith is described as being ***certain of what we do not see***. What is being described in this passage and how does it relate to our discontentment which produces hope? See Hebrews 11:6 also.

4) Read Hebrews 11:3. What does this passage mean to you? How deeply do you believe it? What does it look like when someone operates 100% from the conviction that God speaks life into nothingness? (Word from God is life)

5) When faith is established as described in verse 1, '***sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see***', what can it lead us to do? Read Hebrews 11:5, 7, 8-10, 11-12, 17-19, etc. Would you consider some of what these people accomplished in faith as ridiculous? Read Isaiah 20:2-3. Was that ridiculous from man's view?

6) What are some examples from Christians you've seen step out in faith that looked a little ridiculous? In what ways are you able to be ridiculous for the Lord? Why or why not?

PRAY: Pray for a ridiculous kind of faith