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Everyday People, Extraordinary Faith

Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph: Forward Looking Faith

Hebrews 11:20-22

In very quick succession, the author of Hebrews focuses on the faith of Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph. Their faith events all occurred right before their deaths. Though they died “not having received the things promised,” they continued to have forward looking faith. They all believed God would bring all His promises to pass.

Additional Verses:

Genesis 27, 28, 48, 50

Exodus 3:16

2 Corinthians 4:13-18, 9:8

Ephesians 2:8

Hebrews 4:1-11

Outline:

1. Forward looking faith clings to God’s promises.

2. Forward looking faith trusts in God’s grace.

3. Forward looking faith rests in God’s peace.

Study Questions:

1. How do you exhibit forward looking faith in your daily life?

2. What are some promises to which you are clinging? How do these promises motivate you to look forward?

3. How does God make all grace abound in your life? How does this encourage you in your daily life?

4. Where have you seen God’s peace demonstrated in your life? How does that peace point forward to heaven?

5. Where does a believer find their ultimate rest? Why are people warned in Hebrews 4 to not miss this rest?

6. How does expanding grace glorify God?

7. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?