

Fellowship Group Homework and Discussion

Getting Started

1. Have you ever had anybody in your life walk away from God? How did that person's faith erode to lead them to that result?

2. What one point sticks out in your mind from last week's sermon?

Going Deeper

3. Many people have incorrect views of "faith." Write a definition that they might prepare for each of the following:
 - Faith as a crutch:

 - Faith as a blind, ignorant leap:

 - Faith as presumptuous trust in what God has not promised:

 - Faith as an opportunity to create your own future:

 - Faith as a remote possibility:

4. Read Hebrews 11:1-3. How do each of these not stand up to the Biblical definitions of faith? You may use other verses, if you would like.
 - Faith as a crutch:

 - Faith as a blind, ignorant leap:

 - Faith as presumptuous trust in what God has not promised:

 - Faith as an opportunity to create your own future:

 - Faith as a remote possibility:

5. Faith involves current action based upon future hope. Read Matthew 4:1-11.
 - How did Satan try to get Jesus to lose the confidence of things hoped for?

 - How does he tempt Jesus to lose the confidence of things not seen?

7. List evidence that you have seen of God's character and God's plan in your life.

8. What is one area you are or have recently been tempted in your faith? How can these evidences help you to have a strong faith in this time?

9. A key purpose of our Fellowship Groups is to provide accountability. To help with that, discuss the following questions:
- Have you been making it a regular priority to attend a Sunday morning worship service?
 - Have you been faithful in making Fellowship Group attendance a top priority?
 - Are you praying regularly for the members of your Fellowship Group?
 - Are you caring for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of those in your Fellowship Group?
 - Are you taking steps to become more transparent with your Fellowship Group?
 - Are you serving regularly in one area of ministry, preferably in your area of giftedness?
 - Are you maintaining your Oikos list?
 - Are you praying for your Oikos list daily?
 - What have you done this last week to reveal God to at least one member of your Oikos?



Living A Life Of Faith Part 1: Certain Of The Unseen

Hebrews 11:1-3
Pastor Chris Inman
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I. Our Direction

1 Week on the Foundation of Faith
1 Week on the Benefits of Faith
6 Weeks on the Mindsets of Faith
13 Weeks on Living Out Your Faith

II. False Views of Faith

- A. Faith is a Crutch
- B. Faith is a Blind, Ignorant Leap
- C. Faith is Presumptuous Trust in What God Has Not Promised
- D. Faith is an Opportunity to Create Your Own Future
- E. Faith is Hope in a Remote Possibility

III. Key Components of a Life of Faith

- A. We Have Confidence in a Fulfilled Future
- B. We Have Convictions in an Unseen Reality
- C. We Have The Counsel of our Biblical Elders

IV. Practicum: Faith in God's Work of Creation