

Persevere:

Warning #4: Don't Persist in Faithless Rebellion (Part #6)

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. ⁹ 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. ¹⁰ For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. ¹¹ By faith Sarah herself received power to conceive, even when she was past the age, since she considered him faithful who had promised. ¹² Therefore 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. 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. Hebrews 11:8-13 (ESV)

How do we obey this warning?

#1: By heeding, 10:19-25.

#2: By looking, 10:32-39.

#3: By imitating, 11:1-12:2.

What kind of faith should we imitate?

1. Imitate the kind of faith that produces the fruit of obedience, v.8.

***Decisive separation**

***Decisive surrender**

2. Imitate the kind of faith that looks past your current circumstances to what is promised, vv.9-10.

3. Imitate the kind of faith that believes God

even when His promise seems impossible, vv.11-12.

4. Imitate the kind of faith that alters your self-identity, v.13.