

Persevere:

Warning #4: Don't Persist in Faithless Rebellion (Part #8)

²⁰ By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. ²¹ By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. ²² By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones. ²³ By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. ²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷ By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible.

Hebrews 11:20-27 (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.
2. Imitate the kind of faith that looks past your current circumstances to what is promised.
3. Imitate the kind of faith that believes God even when His promise seems impossible.
4. Imitate the kind of faith that alters your self-identity.
5. Imitate the kind of faith that desires a better city.
6. Imitate the kind of faith that learns that God is the author of salvation.

7. Imitate the kind of faith that leaves a Godly legacy, vv.20-22.
8. Imitate the kind of faith that fears God more than men, v.23.
9. Imitate the kind of faith that values the reproach of Christ more than the reward of this world, vv.24-26.
10. Imitate the kind of faith that overcomes great fear by looking to God, v.27.