

HEBREWS 11:1 (DISCUSSION GUIDE)

FROM 4/17/22

Sermon Summary

This Easter Sunday we begin a 4-week sermon series that corresponds with our 2022 church theme: The God Of More. This idea is driven by the fact that our God is the God who is able to do exceedingly above all that we could ever dream or imagine! In this series we will explore the thing that unleashes God to do great things in our lives and in our church—our personal faith. We start off this Easter weekend by exploring what the Christian faith is all about and what it means for us as individuals to believe the truth of the gospel.

Key Passage Hebrews 11:1

Questions for Reflection and discussion

Know

What is something that you are thankful for this week?

What is something that is causing you stress or concern this week?

Who in your life is in need of prayer, physical help, or emotional encouragement right now?

Grow

Pastor Brett said this week that the resurrection of Jesus is the most powerful and impactful event in human history. Describe a way that Easter (Jesus rising from the tomb) has personally changed your life.

One of the main points of Sunday's sermon was that: Believing in Easter means our lives can have purpose. If you had to sum up your own life with a purpose or mission statement (in one sentence), what would it be?

According to Hebrews 11:1, What exactly is faith? How would you define it?

Go

How we respond to the true meaning and message of Easter makes all the difference in our eternal destiny. Do you know for certain where you will spend eternity? What are you basing that on?

Pastor Brett said that "Salvation isn't about what we know, it's about who we know." What does this statement mean to you?

Who in your life needs to be reminded that God created them with a purpose and for a purpose? Pray for them and ask God to give you opportunities to share the gospel with them.

BELIEVING IN EASTER (SERMON NOTES)

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*"Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see."
(Hebrews 11:1) (NIV)*

1. Believing in Easter means _____.

"You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross." Colossians 2:13-14 (NLT)

*"Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death."
(Romans 8:1-2) (NIV)*

2. Believing in Easter means _____.

"But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." (Romans 5:8) (NLT)

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10) (NIV)

"For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." (Ephesians 2:10) (NIV)

3. Believing in Easter means _____.

Some believe in salvation through _____.

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For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9) (NIV)

Some believe in salvation through _____.

"There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death." (Proverbs 16:25) (NLT)

Salvation isn't about _____ we know, it's about _____ we know.