

THEME – THE PROVIDENCE OF GOD

Subject: Faith in Divine Providence Strengthens Hope (Hebrews 11:1)

Scripture Passage:

“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for; the evidence of things not seen.”

Introduction:

“We are given a GREAT list of witnesses to the power of faith. A heritage of faith from the beginning until a portion of the promise was received.

“Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.”

[Hebrews 11:1](#) From, “Let there be...” until the final curtain falls on this story, faith is what keeps us moving forward. It is what draws us to God. “And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who seek Him.” [Hebrews 11:6](#)

“God alone can weave a pattern from the disparate threads of our lives – whether suffering, success, joy, or heartache – and fashion a magnificent design. Perhaps today, if you will stop and reflect on it, you will see that the Father is seeking to weave a beautiful tapestry in your life.”

I can't imagine life without faith. To me, there would be no purpose; no hope. Not every breath is a matter of faith but moving through it takes faith is something better than now. We see so much that could discourage us every day but yet we move on with hope. Why? Because we see the evidence of something better to come. We see the promises God has already fulfilled and can hold fast to the ones to come.

Scripture References:

Genesis 45:5-8; Proverbs 3:5-6; Matthew 17:20; Romans 8:28-30, 38-39; Ephesians 1:3-5; 1 Peter 3:12; James 1:2-4; 1 Corinthians 10:13

“Pray for God’s help and guidance in applying these verses”.

Biblical Applications:

1. Why was faith compared to a mustard seed?
2. Can you imagine life with faith? Explain
3. Why do we move on with hope when we see so much that could discourage us every day?
4. Does having faith guarantee the results we “hope” for?
5. Are you living a life that shouts “Divine Providence?”

Closing:

“How can all things be worked together by God for good? The answer is at hand. It is because God’s ultimate purpose is to make us like Christ. His goal is the complete restoration of the image of God in His child! So great a work demands all the resources which God finds throughout the universe, and He ransacks the possibilities of joys and sorrows in to reproduce in us the character of Jesus.”

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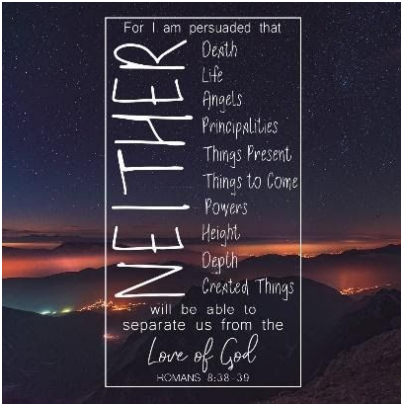
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