

### ONE YEAR BIBLE READING (5/29-6/9)

5/29	Psalms 27, 28, 29	John 11:1-29
5/30	Psalms 31, 35	John 11:30-57
5/31	Psalms 36, 37, 38	John 12:1-26
6/01	Psalms 39, 40, 41	John 12:27-50
6/02	Psalms 53, 55, 58	John 13:1-20
6/03	Psalms 61, 62, 65	John 13:21-38
6/04	Psalms 68, 72, 86	John 14
6/05	Psalms 101, 103, 108	John 15
6/06	Psalms 109, 110, 138	John 16
6/07	Psalms 139, 140, 141	John 17
6/08	Psalms 143, 144, 145	John 18:1-18
6/09	1 Kings 1, 2	John 18:19-40

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### ARE YOU WALKING BY FAITH?

(Exerts from Tom Behel's lesson from Facebook Live 5/24/2020)

Heroes are considered by the world as someone who is brave, has integrity, and is selfless, who ask for nothing and rides off into the sunset when the task they needed to do is completed. But the Bible tells of heroes who are not always brave, good, or selfless. They are people like you and me who miss the mark and drop the ball along the way. Who are considered heroes in the Bible? It is those who have great faith. But what is great faith and where does it come from?

Many today just feel hopeless and wonder what is real? We deal with separation of friends and family and have a longing for normalcy. These feelings can lead to despair and wonder is it really worth it, or should we just give up in the face of adversity? The Hebrew Christians in Hebrews were dealing with everyday struggles and some were on the verge of quitting and going back into the world because they didn't feel this Christian thing was worth it anymore. Paul told them in Hebrews 11:35-38, *"Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised. For, "Yet a little while, and the coming one will come and will not delay; but my righteous one shall live by faith, and if he shrinks back, my soul has no pleasure in him."* He says do not throw in the towel but to live by faith!

Faith is a lifestyle, not an event. It's not something we visit from time to time, but something we possess every day of our lives. It is how we live. Faith must have substance – something to rely on. It is only as strong as the thing to which it is attached. If attached to something good, it will be effective; if attached to something bad then it will be ineffective because the substance of your faith has no value. The world is full of trouble – not just today with lost jobs, lost businesses, and a

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## PRAYER CONCERNS

**CHRONICALLY ILL MEMBERS:** Murthie and Ellena Daniely, Nancy Guyton, Donna Hall, Dennis Hancock, Stacey Partain

### MEMBERS

**Kelly Anderson**, undergoing neurological tests

**Earlene Bray**, still recovering

**Murthie Daniely**, still dealing with cancer

**Odell Hill**, continuing to have health issues

**Kiel Hall**, chemo

**Tom Horton**, issues with health due to cancer treatments

**Al Kunkle**, at home doing some better

**Suzanne Odom**, still has several weeks of recovery from her foot surgery

**Debbie Wallen**, recovering from surgery on ankle

**Robert Wallen** PET scan June 2 to determine what spot on lung is

**Faye Wilson**, in a regular room now at the Coliseum Hospital recovering from emergency hernia surgery and other health issues

**CONTINUED FAMILY CONCERNS:** Tammy Behel, Andrea Bivins, Marie Camp, Julie Carroll, Ellena Daniely, Bill Harvey, Buck and Carol Herring, Barbara Matthews, Evie Nicholson, Ken and Mary Lynn Pollard, Tara Stokes, Joni Van Etten, Paul Wilson, Shaun Wilson

### **ALSO, PLEASE REMEMBER:**

**All Front line workers** during the pandemic

**Pat Brooks** (Debra Anderson's mother), cancer patient

**Barbara Hallford** (Cindy Bray's mother), waiting on heart valve replacement

Vicki James's cousin, Tonya, recovering at home from Covid 19

**Jeanine Maxwell**, consulting with doctor about some test results about cancer

**Girtie Spell** (Ray's step-mother), has been placed under hospice

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## REMEMBER TO TUNE IN ON FACEBOOK LIVE

**Sunday: 9:30 am and 10:30 am; Wednesday 7 pm**

**Friday Fireside Chats with elders at 7 pm**

Ask questions or comment to elders at

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new way of schooling. The things of this world change, sometimes, rapidly, and just show that what the world has to offer is at best rocky and is fleeting and perishable, sometimes in just a moment's time. If we put our hope in the things of this world, we become vulnerable and weak, and we will have trouble rising above challenges this world has to offer.

Faith in sufficient substance yields great results. Think about the mustard seed in Matthew 17:20, so small if you dropped it, you would have trouble finding it, yet that much faith in a sufficient substance can produce great results! What is the substance of our faith? Belief in God and His promises. Read about the people in Hebrews 11. What does it continue to say about those people? *"By faith ..."* They were able to do the things they did because of faith in God Almighty! Hebrews 11:6 says without faith it is impossible to please God. Do you believe God is faithful and true? Faith is living like we do; believing God is Who He says He is. Our faith is not something where we get to pick and choose which things of God we want to believe and someone we call on only when we are desperate. We must put our trust in God and follow His directions ALL the time. The heroes of Hebrews 11 are witnesses to the power of God, the power of faithfulness, witnesses to what verse Hebrews 11:1 is all about, *"Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."* We can be like those people of Hebrews 11 and although we mess up from time to time, we can make the list, also. God is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. He has given us His Word to guide our way. Trust it!



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