

BELIEVE #2

The eleventh chapter of the book of Hebrews is known as a chapter on faith. That's because it begins with a definition of what faith is and then provides a long list of people that gained God's approval through their faithful obedience. In Hebrews 11:6 we have the following statement which really tells us what this section of the book is all about: "And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him."

Part of what this chapter reveals to us is that from the beginning of time man has been saved by faith in God. But the author of Hebrews shows that simply believing in the existence of God was not enough. The many examples of saving faith that he gives involve those who acted on their belief in God, entrusting to Him their physical and spiritual well being.

If we are going to please God today we must do the same thing. We need to have confidence that God is and show our trust in Him by doing what He commands us to do in His word. That will cause us to also believe in Christ and live the life of a Christian. With a strong and enduring faith, we can be sure of salvation through Him in whom we have believed.