

Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

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BIBLE PASSAGES - Heb. 11:30-40

Hebrews 30 *By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. 31 By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.*

32 *And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— 33 who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, 34 quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. 35 Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. 36 Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. 37 They were stoned, they were sawn in two, [a] they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— 38 of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.*

39 *And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, 40 since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.*

Other Passages: Matt. 17:20, 1 Cor. 1:26-40, Matt. 18:20, Matt. 1:23

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, and take time to fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

- 1) What seeds are in your hand?
- 2) Read Matt. 18:20, Matt. 1:23 together, how do these verses give you hope to trust in God?
- 3) When you are walking in a trial, do others know where your faith and trust is?
- 4) Where does your hope come from in this season? Why do you have hope?
- 5) Do you view hardship and trials as an opportunity for God to be growing something deep within you? How can you begin to shift your mindset to hold that promise?

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS