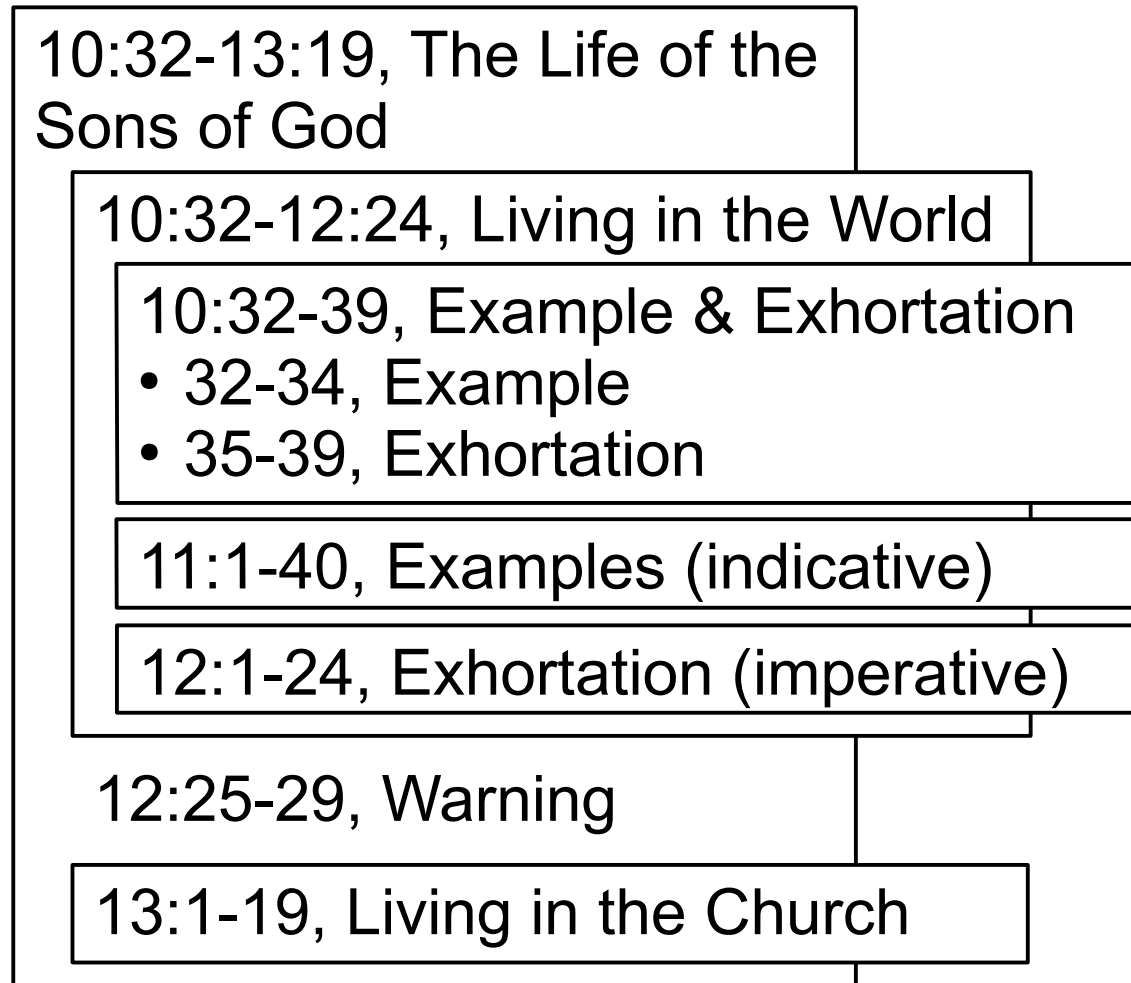


Treasure Hunt

- Faith, Ben: In what two ways may believers suffer for their faith?
- Can you give an example of each from the rest of the New Testament?
- Nate, Elijah: What two kinds of boldness does the writer want us to have?
- Michael: What connection does the Lord Jesus make between these two kinds of boldness?
- In 10:37, what about God's coming should encourage suffering saints?
- Caitlin: Give an example of "drawing back," the sin mentioned in 10:38.
- In 11:1, how can faith *be* evidence rather than *requiring* evidence?
- What is the meaning of the verb translated "obtained a good report" (11:2, 39), "obtained witness" (11:4), and "had this testimony" (11:5)?

Structure of Hebrews 10:32-13:19



Suffering **Personally** and by **Proxy**

ye endured a great fight of afflictions;

10:33 Partly, whilst **ye were made** a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions;

and partly, whilst ye became **companions** of them that were so used.

34 For ye had compassion of **me in my bonds**,

and took joyfully the **spoiling of your goods**, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.

Phil. 4:14 Notwithstanding ye have well done, that ye did communicate with **my affliction**. ... 18 But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.

Acts 11:27 And in these days came prophets from Jerusalem unto Antioch. 28 And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit that there should be great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar. 29 Then the disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to **send relief unto the brethren** which dwelt in Judaea: 30 Which also they did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

2Cor. 8:1 Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia; 2 How that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches of their liberality. 3 For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power they were willing of themselves; 4 Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the **ministering to the saints**.

Rom. 15:25 But now I go unto Jerusalem to minister unto the saints. 26 For it hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for **the poor saints** which are at Jerusalem.

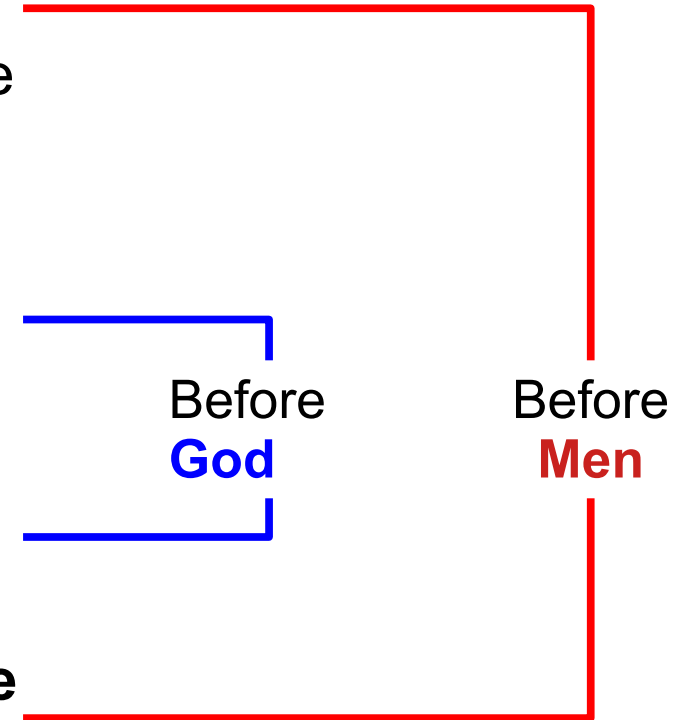
Boldness before Man and God

3:6 But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the **confidence** [boldness παρρησία G3954] and the rejoicing [boasting] of the hope firm unto the end.

4:16 Let us therefore come **boldly** unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

10:19 Having therefore, brethren, **boldness** to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

10:35 Cast not away therefore your **confidence** [boldness παρρησία G3954],



Luke 12:8 Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me **before men**, him shall the Son of man also confess **before the angels of God**: 9 But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

References for 10:35-39

35 which hath great recompence of **reward**.

Gen. 15:1 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great **reward**.

Matt 5:12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your **reward** in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

37 For **yet a little while**, and **he that shall come will come**,

Is. 26:20 (LXX, Brenton) Go, my people, enter into thy closets, shut thy door, hide thyself **for a little season**, until **the anger of the Lord have passed away**. 21 For, behold, **the Lord is bringing** wrath from his holy place upon the dwellers on the earth: ... 27:1 In that day **God shall bring** his holy and great and strong sword upon the dragon, ...

2Th. 1:6 ... it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you; 7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when **the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven** with his mighty angels,

38 if any man draw back

Gal. 2:11 But when Peter was come to Antioch, I withstood him to the face, ... 12 For before that certain came from James, he did eat with the Gentiles: but when they were come, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing them which were of the circumcision.

Structure of Hebrews 11

11:1-40, Examples of Promise & Faith in the OT

1-6, Generic Characterization

- 1, Principle: Faith as substance and evidence
- 2-6a, God's **testimony** as the basis of faith
- 6b, Principle: Need for faith

7-31, Specific Examples

32-40, Generalization

11:2 for by it [faith] the elders obtained a good report

→ for in connection with it [faith], the elders received a testimony [a revelation from God]

