

- What is the paradox in Heb 11:1?
- Elijah: To whose faith does the word “faith” in 11:1 refer?
- How did “the elders receive a good report”?
- Faith: To whom was this report given?
- Caitlin: How do the examples in Hebrews 11 illustrate the principle of James 2?
- How do these examples provide substance and evidence for our faith?
- How do we know that Abel and Enoch had faith?
- Michael: Why was Abel’s sacrifice “more excellent” than that of Cain?
- How was Abel’s faith fulfilled?
- What does it mean for Enoch to be “translated”?
- How do we know that Enoch pleased God, before he was translated?

Structural Context

10:32-13:19, The Life of the Sons of God

10:32-12:24, Living in the World

10:32-39, Example & Exhortation

- 32-34, Example
- 35-39, Exhortation

11:1-40, Examples (indicative)

12:1-24, Exhortation (imperative)

12:25-29, Warning

13:1-19, Living in the Church

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

1-3, Characterization

- 1, Its function
- 2, Its focus μαρτυρέω
- 3, Its precedent

4-31, How known?

- 4-6, By God's response to them
- 7-19, By their response to God
- 20-22, By their statements
- 23-31, By their separation

32-40, Generalization μαρτυρέω

μαρτυρέω (G3140)

2 obtained a good report

4 obtained witness ... testifying

5 he had this testimony

30 having obtained a good report

Heb. 7:8 And here men that die receive tithes; but there he receiveth them, of whom **it is witnessed** that he liveth. ...

17 For he **testifieth**, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

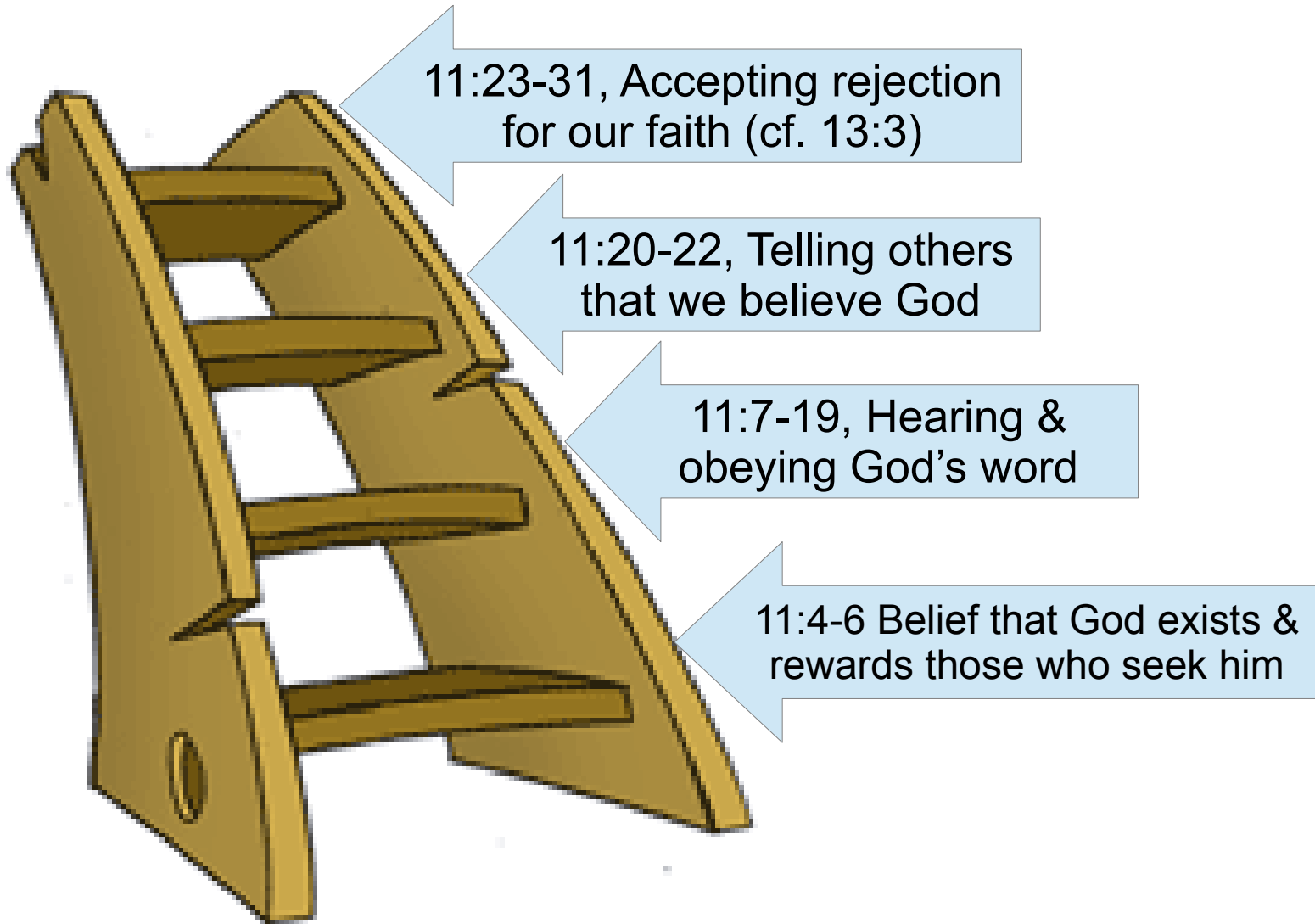
Heb. 10:15 Whereof the Holy Ghost also is **a witness to us**: for after that he had said before, 16 This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; 17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

Heb. 12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of **witnesses**,

The Examples of Hebrews 11

Evidence	Elder	Works	Fulfillment
God's Response to them	Abel	Offers a sacrifice	God avenges his murder
	Enoch	Walks with God	Translation
Their Response to God	Noah	Builds an ark	The flood comes
	Abraham	Leaves his country	By v. 31, the people are in the land of promise.
Their Statements to Others	Isaac	Bless their descendants	
	Jacob		
Joseph			
Separation from Unbelievers	Moses' Parents	Hide Moses	He survives
	Moses	Suffer with people of God	Successful Exodus
	Rahab	Hides the spies	Does not perish

Climbing the Ladder of Faith



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James 2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. 18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works. 19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble. 20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?

Faith and Works



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Abel and Enoch

Gen. 4:3 And in process of time [at the end of days] it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD. 4 And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering: 5 But unto Cain and to his offering he had not respect. And Cain was very wroth, and his countenance fell. 6 And the LORD said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen? 7 If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? ... 9 And the LORD said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper? 10 And he said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground.



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Gen. 5:21 And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah: 22 And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: 23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: 24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

References for Enoch

Enoch was translated

2Kings 2:11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

Acts 1:9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

1Th. 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

Enoch walked with God

Gen. 3:8 And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

Amos 3:3 Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

Gen. 6:9 These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.