





Intro Week

MAIN THING

Faith is the Combination of Knowledge and Trust

SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 11:1, Matthew 21:21, Galatians 3:7-9

ICEBREAKER

What is the first word or phrase that comes to your mind when you hear the word "Faith"?

OPENING THOUGHT

What is faith? Why is it so important? In our society today, faith, many times, is seen as weak or a crutch. God's word says something very different. As a matter of fact, God holds the man or woman with faith in very high regard. Over the next 40 Days, we'll be discussing what faith is, why faith is so important, and how that faith impacts our daily daily lives, relationships and view of God.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What was one thing that stood out to you from this weekend's message?
- 2. Read Hebrews 11:1. What does it mean to have confidence in what you hope for and assurance about something you can't see.
- 3. Do you find it hard to have faith when really hard things happen in life; loss of a loved one, a job gone wrong, financial struggle? Read Matthew 21:21. How does this verse give us confidence in those hard times?

LIFE APPLICATION

We read in Galatians 3:7-9 that when we have faith, we are in the line of Abraham himself. That also means that we are blessed as Abraham was blessed. Our faith identifies us. It declares Who's we are as much as who we are. Do you find yourself doubting your purpose? Do you find yourself unsure of your future? Make a concerted effort over these next 40 Days of Faith to challenge yourself to stop doubting, be sure, and to carry your faith as a shield when the arrows of the evil one strike.

CHALLENGE

As our groups are starting back up, (or continuing for some of you) hold each other accountable for these 40 Days. Do your best to not miss a week of your community group. Stay on each other to do your daily devotions. We all do better when we work together. That's what community is all about.