

HOME STUDY QUESTIONS & MESSAGE SUPPLEMENT
Week of Sunday, September 8, 2019: “LUMINOUS SHADOWS: My Faith”

Thinking about it:

What are some things that we “put our faith in” on a regular basis?

What is it about these things that requires faith on our part?

How do we demonstrate our faith in these things?

What is the result of SAYING you have faith in these things, but NEVER PUTTING your faith in these things?

What is the biggest or most important thing you have saved up money for, or are saving up for, by sacrificing other things over time?

What ultimately determines whether or not the sacrifice is worth it?

From Sunday’s Message: “LUMINOUS SHADOWS: My Faith” (Hebrews, Ch. 11)

Our sports institutions each have a “Hall of Fame” as an honor for the elite to be inducted into. Scripture has a “Hall of Faith” that it calls all of us to be inducted into. It tells us how those before us demonstrated their faith through their actions as examples for us to follow.

Read Hebrews, Chapter 11:4-10

How are we to demonstrate our faith in God with our finances? (Abel)
(Malachi 3:6-12, Matt. 23:23, Prov. 3:9-10)

How does our faith help us live a life pleasing to God? (Enoch)
(Psalm 149:4-5, Prov. 11:20, 12:22 & 15:8, Rom. 8:5-8 & 14-16)

How do we demonstrate our faith by what we allow to “consume” us? (Noah)
(Mark 8:34-38, Matt. 7:24-27)

How are we to demonstrate our faith as we pursue God’s will for us? (Abraham)
(Matt. 6:25-34)

How are we to demonstrate our faith in God’s promise of eternal life? (Abraham)
(Phil. 3:17-21, I Peter 2:11-12, II Cor. 5:1-21)

PRAY: Thank God for His character that never changes or falters, and His promises that come out of that character. Ask God to show you any way that you are putting your faith in your thinking more than in what God says. If/As He reveals that to you, confess it back to Him. Ask Him to forgive you. Echo the heart of the father that asked Jesus to deliver his son from demon possession: “I do believe, help me overcome my unbelief!” (Mark 9:24)