September 21, 2008 The Bridge Bible Fellowship Pastor Paul S. Brown Hebrews 11:28-29

I.

"Jesus Christ is Infinitely Better!"

Examples of Faith, Part Eleven: Moses, Part Four

- Jesus Christ: Infinitely Better in His **PERSON** (1-7)
- II. Jesus Christ: Infinitely Better in His **WORK** (8:1-10:18)
- III. Christianity: An Infinitely Better WALK OF FAITH (10:19-13:24)
 - A. The Confidence of Faith (10:19-39)

B. The Examples of Faith (11)

- 1. Definition (Description) of Faith (11:1-3)
- 2. Examples of Faith (11:4-40)
 - a. Abel (v. 4) Faith Worshiping
 - b. Enoch (v. 5-6) Faith Walking
 - c. Noah (v. 7) Faith Working
 - d. Abraham and Sarah Faith Waiting
 - e. Isaac Faith Waiting
 - f. Jacob Faith Waiting
 - g. Joseph Faith Waiting
 - h. Moses' Parents Faith Watching (v. 23)
 - i. Moses Faith Warring (v. 24-29)
 - 1) Finances (v. 24-26)
 - 2) Fear of Man (v. 27)
 - 3) Fear of ______ (v. 28; cf. Ex. 12; 1 Cor. 5:7)

The Passover Lamb	Jesus Christ
v. $3 = A$ lamb	Lamb of God (Jn. 1:29)
v. 5 = Unblemished	Without sin (2 Cor. 5:21)
$3, 6 = $ Received on 10^{th} day & killed on 14^{th} day	Received on 10 th day & killed on 14 th day
v. 6 = Slain at twilight (between the evenings)	Slain at about 9 th hour (Lk. 23:44)
v. 7 = Blood is a symbol of God's protection	Blood cleanses (protects) us from sin (Heb. 9-10)
v. 13 = Blood of lamb is perfect provision to protect from plague	Blood is perfect provision to protect from God's wrath (Jn. 3:16-18)
v. 14 = Memorial Day for you	Communion = Memorial (1 Cor. 11:24-26)
v. 18 = Passover sacrifice in March-April	Death of Jesus in March-April
v. 21 = Salvation was individual	Salvation is individual (Acts 2; Rom. 10:9-10)
v. 24 = Ordinance forever - unchanging	Ordinance forever
v. 27 = Pass on meaning to children	Pass on meaning of Christ's sacrifice to children (2 Tim. 3:15)
Door of house was sign of security	Christ's salvation is total security (Rom. 8)
Satan & his idols are impotent before Almighty God	Christ is omnipotent! (Jn. 1; Col. 1; Heb. 1)

4) Fear of _____ (v. 29; cf. Ex. 14)

Discussion Questions:

- In v. 28 how is Moses an example of our three-fold definition of faith? Why would sprinkling blood require faith? What was the significance of the Passover? What does the Passover ultimately point to in the New Testament (1 Cor. 5:7)? What elements of the Gospel do you see in the Passover? How did faith & obedience in this situation prepare Moses for faith and obedience in v. 29?
- 2. Do you think the average person on the street spends much time thinking about coming judgment? When do people typically start thinking about judgment? What kinds of things do people start doing when they fear judgment is approaching? Why? What does the Bible say is the only way we can face the coming judgment and survive? What verses support your answer?
- 3. In v. 29 there is a change in the pronoun. Whose faith is now on display? How are they an example of our three-fold definition of faith? Had these people been a tremendous example of faith prior to this? Where did they get the inspiration for this kind of faith?
- 4. Why didn't the Egyptian army get across the Red Sea safely? What was missing in their lives? Were they "religious" people? Were they ready to die? Were they prepared for judgment when it came upon them suddenly? Why do you think the Lord chose to judge them in this way (cf. Ex. 2)?
- 5. In what specific areas is God calling you to apply the three-fold definition of faith right now? Are you an inspirational example of faith for others? What spiritual disciplines would help you grow in this area?
- 6. What is the most significant lesson you learned from the faith of Moses? What steps will you take to implement that lesson in your life this week?