

Message: ***Your Faith, Your Choices***

Scripture: Hebrews 11:23-28

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Former US First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "One's philosophy is not best expressed in words. It is expressed in the choices one makes. In the long run, we shape our lives and we shape ourselves. The choices we make are ultimately our responsibility."

In the same way, the Bible supports personal responsibility for the choices and decisions we make. From Hebrews 11, we see the impact of faith on the choices we make. From the example of Moses and his parents, we learn the difference faith made on their choices, and ultimately their lives.

Let faith affect your choices. Let God into the equation. Faith chooses courageously. Faith chooses the right way, not the easy way. Faith takes a long-term view and chooses accordingly. Faith ultimately chooses and rests on Jesus.

GROWING DEEPER (Reflection & Application)

1. When was the last time you stepped out in faith and did something risky? Pastor Tony advises: if it's the right thing DO IT SCARED! The more you do it the less scary it gets. Do you agree?
2. Faith is not a leap into the dark, it is stepping into the light. Moses chose Christ because he understood truly that Christ was of greater value than all the treasure Egypt could offer. Is that true for you?
3. In today's culture there's an attitude of just live for the moment. But faith means we believe that there is a future, that God has a plan, and that heaven is real. How does faith affect your choices in life?
4. Through the death of Christ, our sin is gone, guilt erased, and hell is done away with. In Christ, we have been saved from destruction and saved to serve for God. What difference should Christ's saving work have on our daily choices in life?