

HALL OF FAITH

HEBREWS 11: SERMON 1

December 2, 2018

HEBREWS 11:1-3,6 (NLT)

- 1 Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see.***
- 2 Through their faith, the people in days of old earned a good reputation.***
- 3 By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen...***
- 6 And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him.***

I. WE MUST *DRAW CLOSE TO GOD.*

JAMES 4:8 (NLT)

8 Come close to God, and God will come close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners; purify your hearts, for your loyalty is divided between God and the world.

A. WASH YOUR HANDS

B. PURIFY YOUR HEARTS

ISAIAH 6:1-9 (NLT)

- 1 It was in the year King Uzziah died that I saw the Lord. He was sitting on a lofty throne, and the train of his robe filled the Temple.**
- 2 Attending him were mighty seraphim, each having six wings. With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew.**
- 3 They were calling out to each other, “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of Heaven’s Armies! The whole earth is filled with his glory!”**

ISAIAH 6:1-9 (NLT)

- 4 Their voices shook the Temple to its foundations, and the entire building was filled with smoke.
- 5 Then I said, “It’s all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among a people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the LORD of Heaven’s Armies.”
- 6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs.

ISAIAH 6:1-9 (NLT)

- ⁷ He touched my lips with it and said, “See, this coal has touched your lips. Now your guilt is removed, and your sins are forgiven.”
- ⁸ Then I heard the Lord asking, “Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?” I said, “Here I am. Send me.”
- ⁹ And he said, “Yes, go, and say to this people, ‘Listen carefully, but do not understand. Watch closely, but learn nothing.’”

II. WE MUST *HEAR THE WORD OF GOD.*

1. THROUGH SCRIPTURE

LOGOS – THE WRITTEN WORD.

2. BY THE SPIRIT

RHEMA - THE SPOKEN WORD.

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III. WE MUST *FOLLOW THE WORD OF GOD.*

MATTHEW 11:1 (NKJV)

- 1 Now it came to pass, when Jesus finished commanding His twelve disciples, that He departed from there to teach and to preach in their cities.**