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Review:

W1: Greatest messenger
W2: Greatest Leader
W3: Greatest High Priest
W4: Greatest Sacrifice
W5: Greatest Hope

1 Peter 1:18-21 NLT-¹⁸For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And it was not paid with mere gold or silver, which lose their value. ¹⁹It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God. ²⁰God chose him as your ransom long before the world began, but now in these last days he has been revealed for your sake. ²¹Through Christ you have come to trust in God. And you have placed your faith and hope in God because he raised Christ from the dead and gave him great glory.

Hebrews 6:18-19 NLT-¹⁸So God has given both his promise and his oath. These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible for God to lie. Therefore, we who have fled to him for refuge can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us. ¹⁹This hope is a strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls. It leads us through the curtain into God's inner sanctuary.

WE HAVE FAITH SO WE HAVE HOPE

Elpis (Hope) Expectation of good. A joyful and confident expectation of eternal salvation. That in which one confides or to which one flees for refuge with expectation. To anticipate, usually with pleasure. Expectation, whether abstractly or concretely, with confidence.

Hebrews 11:1-3 NIV- Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ²This is what the ancients were commended for. ³By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

Pistis (Faith) Persuasion, credence, and moral conviction of truth or the truthfulness of God, especially reliance upon Christ for salvation and constancy in such profession. By extension, the system of the Gospel, which is truth itself: the conviction that God exists and is the Creator and Ruler of all things, the Provider and Bestower of eternal salvation through Christ.

- We have faith therefore we have hope.

HALL OF FAITH

Hebrews 11:32-39 NLT-³²How much more do I need to say? It would take too long to recount the stories of the faith of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel, and all the prophets. ³³By faith these people overthrew kingdoms, ruled with justice, and received what God had promised them. They shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched the flames of fire, and escaped death by the edge of the sword. Their weakness was turned to strength. They became strong in battle and put whole armies to flight. ³⁵Women received their loved ones back again from death. But others were tortured, refusing to turn from God in order to be set free. They placed their hope in a better life after the resurrection. ³⁶Some were jeered at, and their backs were cut open with whips. Others were chained in prisons. ³⁷Some died by stoning, some were sawed in half,^[d] and others were killed with the sword. Some went about wearing skins of sheep and goats, destitute and oppressed and mistreated. ³⁸They were too good for this world, wandering over deserts and mountains, hiding in caves and holes in the ground. ³⁹All these people earned a good reputation because of their faith, yet none of them received all that God had promised.

RUN THE RACE:

- Hebrews 12:1-3

GOD IS WITH US IN THE RACE:

- 2 Corinthians 1:3-7
- Comfort doesn't always mean comfortable. (2 Corinthians 1:8-10, 12)

WE ARE CALLED TO BE HOLY:

- Hebrews 12:14-15
- 1 Peter 1:14-16

GOD DISCIPLINES THOSE WHOM HE LOVES:

- Hebrews 12:5

ARE YOU ANCHORED:

- Hebrews 6:18-19 NLT

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Hebrews 6:18–19 Says our hope in Christ is a “strong and trustworthy anchor for our souls.” What does it look like practically to be anchored in Christ when life feels uncertain or difficult?
2. The message says, “We have faith; therefore, we have hope.” How are faith and hope connected? How does what you believe about God affect the way you face your circumstances?
3. Hebrews 11 Describes people who experienced incredible victories through faith, but also people who suffered and never saw everything God promised in their lifetime. What does this teach us about what biblical faith and hope really look like?
4. Hebrews 12:1–3 Describes following Jesus as running a race with endurance. What is a “weight” or distraction that can slow Christians down even if it isn't necessarily sinful? What helps you keep your eyes on Jesus?
5. Paul says his suffering taught him to stop relying on himself and rely on God instead (2 Corinthians 1:8–10). Why do difficult seasons sometimes expose what we are really trusting in? Share a time when God used something difficult to deepen your dependence on Him.
6. Hebrews 12:14–15 Connects holiness, grace, relationships, and bitterness. How can bitterness begin to take root in someone's life, and what can we do to keep it from growing?
7. Hebrews 12 Teaches that God's discipline is evidence of His love and is meant to produce holiness in us. How can we tell the difference between God's loving correction and simply experiencing the consequences of our own choices or the difficulties of living in a broken world?
8. Looking back over the entire Greater Than series—Jesus as the greatest Messenger, Leader, High Priest, Sacrifice, and Hope—which truth about Jesus has impacted you the most, and what is one specific way you want to respond to Him this week?



Group Questions



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