

Sunday March 18<sup>th</sup> 2012  
The Letter to the Hebrews  
Part Thirty Seven  
Study Questions

1). Heb 11:4 ¶ *By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks. 5 By faith Enoch*

- a). What is the panoramic picture presented in the first 4 individuals that we see in Hebrews Chapter 11?
- b). From where is this sequence originally taken?
- c). Where do we find exactly the same sequence of events laid out for us, but from a slightly different perspective?

2). What do we find recorded in Genesis Chapter 22 and how does this connect with the account of Cain and Abel?

- a). What detail is given to us in Genesis Chapter 23 that we don't find in Hebrews 11?
- b). What can we learn about the use of types from this?
- c). What is the scriptural perspective with regards to the use of types?

d). What do we find in Genesis Chapter 24 and how does this connect with the account of Enoch?

e). What event is missing from the panorama in Genesis that we find in Hebrews?

f). To what does Genesis Chapter 25 refer?

g). How do the scriptures work together for our benefit?

3). Read Genesis 4:6-8 – What picture is presented to us in this account?

a). What scriptures did we look at in connection with this?

b). If Cain knew that Abel was his brother, would this also be true of Israel with respect to Christ and how would we know?

c). What is taught in the parable of the householder?

d). What happened in history with respect to this and what is the long term promise for Israel?

4). *5 By faith Enoch was taken away so that he did not see death, "and was not found, because God had taken him"; for before he was taken he had this testimony, that he pleased God.* What would we know about Enoch's faith from this verse?

a). Where do we find the account of Enoch from which this verse draws?

b). What commentary does 1 Thessalonians give us on this?

c). Does the account of Enoch give us the complete picture with regards to the rapture and if not where else do we need to look?

d). What is God's focus with respect to the rapture and what should ours be also?

5). Read Genesis 24:58-67 – What is taught in these verses about the rapture of the Church and what other scriptures would we draw from that would help us see the whole picture?

a). Where else in scripture would we see the positive outcome for the faithful Christian pictured in the experience of Rebekah?

b). In what way does the Book of Ruth give us commentary on this?

6). Read Genesis 19:15-17 +24-30 – from what perspective is the rapture presented to us through the experience of Lot and his family?

a). What might we learn from Lot's wife?

b). What other types of the unfaithful Christian does the experience of Lot provide commentary on?

7). What commentary on the experience of Lot is given in the Matthew 13 Parables?

a). How is this same thing presented in the parables given in Matthew Chapters 22 and 25?

b). How is it pictured in Matthew 10:27-28?

c). How is it presented in Revelation 2:11?

d). How is presented in 1 Corinthians 3:15?

8). All in all then – what awaits the faithful Christian?

a). What awaits the unfaithful Christian?

b). Read 1 Thessalonians 5:4-9 – How does what we read here connect with that which we have studied today and that which we have seen in the Book of Hebrews as a whole?

9). Any final thoughts?