

# 4MORE

Date: Sunday 2 June 2019

Title: GIFTED – Part 5 - FAITH

Reading: Hebrews 11:1-12

1. How would you describe what FAITH is? Is there someone you know, know about, who you think has the spiritual gift of FAITH? What marks them out in this way? READ Hebrews 11:1, 6; James 2:17; Romans 10:17. What do these verses tell you about FAITH? What is the difference between probability, deduction, belief and biblical FAITH?
2. FAITH IS COMPLETE TRUST IN GOD'S PROMISES: READ Hebrews 11:8-12; Romans 4:18-21 and Genesis 15:1-5. What does the life of Abraham tell you about trusting God's promises? Is that kind of FAITH possible for everyone? Why/Why not? Is it simply a matter of leaping off your trapeze?
3. FAITH IS KNOWING THAT GOD IS ABLE TO GET YOU OVER/THROUGH ANY OBSTACLE: READ 2 Samuel 22:30. Has that ever happened in your life? Has your faith got more radical/confident as you have got older? Noah built a boat before he'd seen any rain (Hebrews 11:7). Is God asking you to do something similar, to MOVE FORWARD WHEN OTHERS WAIT?
4. FAITH BELIEVES THE PROMISES OF GOD AND INSPIRES OTHERS TO BELIEVE THEM: Moses led the people out of Egypt (Hebrews 11:24-28); Peter led the disciples out of the room (Acts 2:14); Shadrach, Meschach and Abednego went into (and came out of) the furnace (Daniel 3:15-18). Has anyone inspired you to have faith of another kind? Share a story when you have believed God's promises and acted on them (James 2:17).

*People of faith don't say, 'Why bother?' Jesus didn't say, 'Why bother?'*

*Do you need to let go and let God catch you?*

# NOTES