

**Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion**

**1. Read Hebrews 11:1-3 and James 2:17.**

How would you describe faith?

Pastor Chris described it this way: *Faith is a conviction that God will keep His Word in the future, that moves the believer to be faithful in the present.* How does this description align with your understanding or realign your understanding of what faith is?

What is the difference between faith and hope?

**2. Read Hebrews 11:4-38.**

Which of these examples of faith stands out to you and why?

Write down the different ways that the people listed in this passage acted on their faith.

What steps of obedience has your faith moved you to take in the past?

If someone were to look at your life, what example of faith would they see in you?

What is the next step of obedience that your deepening faith is prompting you to take?

**3. Read Hebrews 11:39-40.**

How is your faith affected when God doesn't come through for you the way you had expected?

Why does it make sense to hold on to your faith, even when you experience struggle or suffering?

How would you describe your own faith today?

In what ways will you hold onto faith and walk in faithful obedience this week?