Belief & Faith

Unbelief

John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

John 8:24 I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for if ye believe not that I am *he*, ye shall die in your sins.

Some are wedded to non-belief:

John 12:37 But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:

Luke 22:67 Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe:

Belief:

John 3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: 3:15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

John 5:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

John 11:25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

John 12:46 I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.

Romans 10:17 So then faith *cometh* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Strong's 3982 Pi-tho, a prime verb to convince by argument

Strong's word 4100 Belief pi-st-yoo-o result of testimony

Strong's 4102 Faith pis-tis keeps believing and trusting with no proof

Faith is trust with reliance in the propositional promises of God.

Faith is not a feeling or an emotion although feelings and emotions can accompany faith. Faith comes only one way

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Faith is just a little bit stronger word than belief.

Faith is trust with reliance that God in Christ will save you.

Example: Houdini kind of guy with a wheelbarrow on a tight-rope at Niagara Falls ... after many examples of the stunt, he asks do you believe I can do it?

OK, Hop in !

Open your Bible to Hebrews 11 and let's study the chapter.

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Faith is the platform your hope rests upon until your hope become substance and you can see the evidence of it.

I also like the Phillips translation of this verse:

Heb. 11:1 Now faith means putting our full confidence in the things we hope for, it means being certain of things we cannot see.

Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Hebrews 1:2-3

How did God create the heavens and the earth?

He spoke them into existence out of nothing by Divine fiat.

John 1:1-4 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 1:2 The same was in the beginning with God. 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. 1:4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Genesis 1:1-3 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. 1:2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. 1:3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

Hebrews 11:4

Genesis 4:1ff;

Hebrews 11:5

Genesis 5:24 And Enoch walked with God: and he *was* not; for God took him.

Hebrews 11:6

Hebrews 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some *is;* but exhorting *one another:* and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

James 2:19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

Hebrews 11:7

All the Heroes of the Faith hear the word of God.

Believe the Word of God & each obeys the Word of God.

Hebrews 11:8

Genesis 12:1-4 Now the LORD had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: 12:2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: 12:3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

Genesis 12:4 So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram *was* seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

Hebrews 11:9

Hebrews 11:10

Hebrews 12:22 But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels,

Revelation 21:1-2 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. 21:3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God. 21:4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

Hebrews 11:11

Hebrews 11:12 This happened in Genesis 15

Genesis 15:1 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I *am* thy shield, *and* thy exceeding great reward. 15:2 And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house *is* this Eliezer of Damascus? 15:3 And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, Io, one born in my house is mine heir. 15:4 And, behold, the word of the LORD *came* unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir. 15:5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be. 15:6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness

Hebrews 11:13-16

Hebrews 11:17 This happened in Genesis 22

Hebrews 11:18 This had already happened in Genesis 21

Gen 21:12 And God said unto Abraham, Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called.

So Abraham trusted God's previous word. Remember cf:

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him:* for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Abraham added up the promises of God

in Isaac shall thy seed be called 21:12

15:5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be.

Therefore, if God wants him for a sacrifice now, then God must be going to raise Isaac from the dead and he will be the promised Messiah to come.

Hebrews 11:19

Hebrews 11:20-21

Hebrews 11:22

Joseph believed the prophecy given to Abraham concerning the Jews

Genesis 15:12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him. 15:13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land *that is* not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; 15:14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance.

Hebrews 11:23-40

I believe that I might obey: I obey that I might believe.