

F.I.
Hebrews 11:1-3

Review: Staying the course...need a healthy fear of the Lord, remember our **P**ast zeal for the Lord (it's in our DNA, revive it), have a telescopic view to what we have in Jesus, especially with

Because we do not want to be those who _____ Heb. 10:39

Leads us to the most important area of our lives...our _____

What it is not...wishful thinking, based on feelings, optimism, mere intellectual ascent, blind

Faith as used in the Bible refers to putting one's trust and belief in all the Bible proclaims and declares, especially about God the Father and Jesus the Son the Messiah.

How it should be abbreviated...**F.I.**

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“Hope” in verse 1 means a firm belief in what is going to happen

How strong is your belief in the future events as described in the bible?

To be so real it affects how you live your life and what you value.

“being sure” to be the foundation which one builds hope in the future

Since all of this comes from what the Bible declares, how important does needing to know what the Bible says become?

What future awaits us? Titus 2:13, 1 Thessalonians 4:15-18,
1 John 3:2-3, Revelation 22:5

If we don't think about and believe in these things they will be meaningless to us and of no help.

Be prepared for the world to think you are crazy especially with the second part of faith which is belief in the INVISIBLE!

To believe that out of His mere command everything came about from nothing! This is impossible from the world's point of view. This goes against common sense, which is true of faith. There will be times when your faith is in direct contradiction to what common sense says. Would it be fair to say this is true most of the time?

Application points:

1. To have a strong faith pray for a greater desire to get into God's Word and not simply read it, but embrace it as truth and relevant for today.
2. How well do you know and believe in what the future holds for you in Jesus? Can you see the need to take time to learn more about what awaits you and to think about it more often?
3. Don't expect the world to embrace what you believe it is impossible for them.
4. Do you need to begin to put more time into serving the Lord and investing in the lives of others for the Kingdom? What is God prompting you to do?