



FAITH

THAT GOES THE DISTANCE

Let us run with perseverance
the race marked out for us.
Hebrews 12:1b

What Heroes Of The Faith Want You To Know About Finishing The Race

Triumphs

THESE ALL...

Tragedies

Through Faith

Through Faith

Gideon
Barak
Sampson
Jephtha
David
Samuel
The Prophets

Conquered kingdoms
Administered Justice
Gained what was promised
Shut lions' mouths
Quenched flames
Escaped the sword
Weakness to strength
Powerful in battle
Routed armies
Dead back to life

Others

Tortured
Faced jeers/flogging
Chained/imprisoned
Stoned
Sawed in two
Put to death by sword
Wore sheep/goatskins
Destitute
Persecuted
Mistreated
Lived in desert, caves, holes

Through faith, some
great feats.

Through faith, some
great suffering.

Faith Wins

These were all commended for their faith. (Hebrews 11:39)

The result of faith is neither great triumph, nor great suffering.
The result of faith is _____.
Without faith it is impossible to please God. (Hebrews 11:6)

We Have Received _____ of the Promise of God.

Yet none of them received what had been promised. (v. 39b)

"The Promise" given to Abram (cf. 10:36, 11:11; Genesis 12:1-3, 15:1-6)

"Promise," in the singular, is a reference to the Great Promise of true and total redemption in the true and only seed of Abraham, which is Christ. Faithful as the ancient heroes were, the fullness of time had to arrive before they could obtain THAT promise.

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"the things promised" (cf. v. 13)

Some of "the things promised" have already been received by the faithful in Christ since His first coming.

- _____ – Christ has put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself, and the atonement for mankind's sin has now been made.
- Every faith-filled believer has received:
 - The _____ of sins through the blood of Christ
 - The _____ of the Holy Spirit in their heart
 - The _____ of the saints in Christ
 - The privileges of _____

Through Faith the _____ is Yet to Come

God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect. (v. 40)

- It is the final _____ of Christ before the whole universe. (Matthew 25:31-40)
- It includes the _____ of our bodies. (John 6:40,44; I Corinthians 15:42-44)
- It is the city that has the _____. (Hebrews 11:10; Revelation 21:1-2)
- It is being in the eternal _____. (Psalm 23:6; John 14:1-3)
- It is being made _____. (I John 2:2)

Conclusion:

Keep on _____. Keep on _____!