

Sermon Notes

What did you expect?

Hebrews 11:32-40

Intro: *"Your investment in faith may go up or down..."*

1. Living by faith can lead to "triumphs" in this life (11:32-35a)

→ *is it right to always be pessimistic about gospel progress?*

2. Living by faith can lead to "tragedies" in this life (11:35b-38)

→ *Is it right for the faithful to always expect gospel success?*

3. But what really matters is beyond this visible life: (11:39-40)

a) Living by Faith is the **only life to which God gives his approval**

b) Living by Faith has always meant **trusting God for something you don't yet see/receive**

c) Yet as Christians Living by Faith **we are now far more privileged** than even the Old Testament faithful

Conclusion: *So keep running the race!*

(12:1-3, next time)