

Building Our Faith....



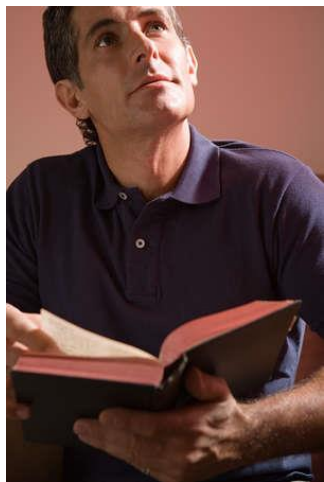
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....By the Examples of **Others**

Hebrews

**11:11,
20-22,
30-34**





Sarah

“because she judged Him faithful who had promised”

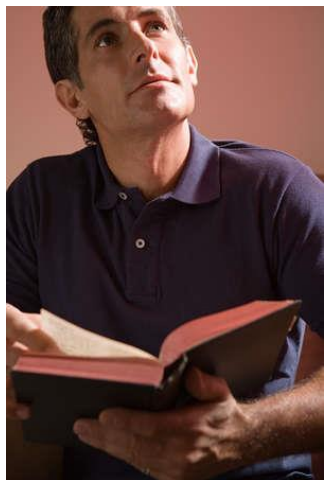
- **Sarah’s faith**

- Genesis 18:11-15

- **She had trust in God**

- Faith led her to believe she would have a son

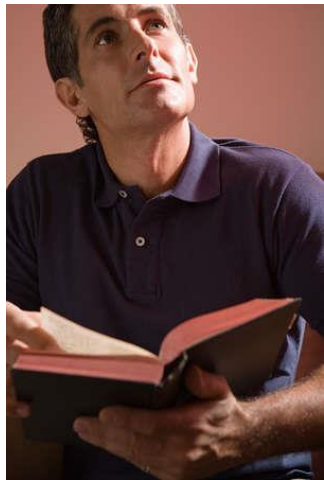
- When things go against all odds, our faith must kick in!



Isaac

“blessed Jacob and Esau concerning things to come”

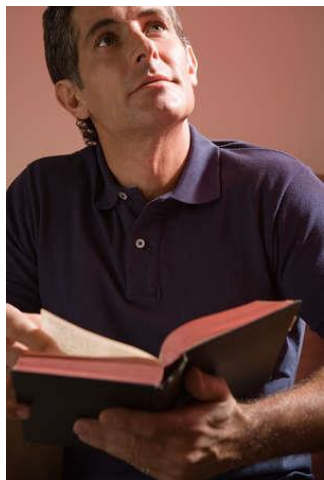
- **Pronounced a blessing**
 - Genesis 27:26-40
- **Isaac could not see in the future**
 - Was acting only by faith



Jacob

“blessed each of the sons of Joseph and worshiped....”

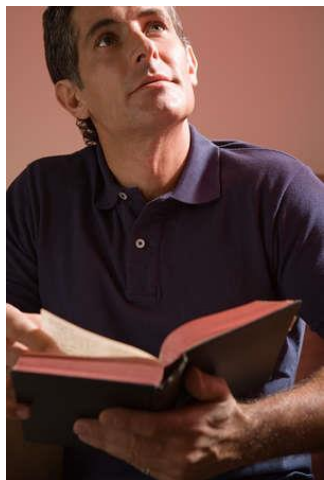
- **Jacob blessed the sons of Joseph**
 - He had confidence in God
 - He knew that God would provide



Joseph

“....made mention of the departure of the children of Israel”

- **Had complete faith in God**
 - Genesis 50:24-25
- **Had faith in God's spoken word**
 - Made arrangement for the future
 - He knew it would happen – God said so!



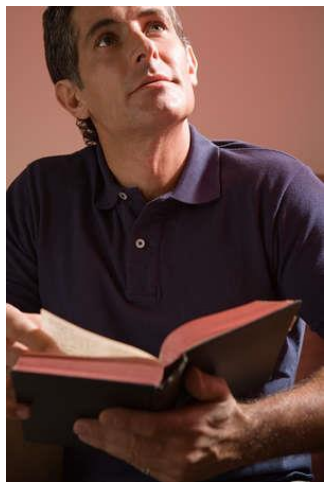
Walls of Jericho

“fell down after they were encircled for seven days”

- **Historical event**

- **Joshua 6:12-20**

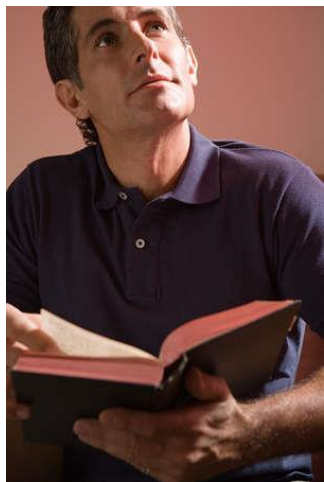
- No physical force to bring them down
- Power of God brought them down!
- God keeps His promises



Rahab

“she had received the spies with peace”

- **A true faith is a faith that saves**
 - Helped the messengers of God
 - Was rewarded for her faith
- **God uses people from all walks of life**
 - Faith in God is realized when one decides to do His will



Others

“what more shall I say”

- **More that have exhibited faith**

“For bodily exercise profits a little, but godliness is profitable for all things, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come. This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe.” **1 Timothy 4:8-10**

Gideon
Barak
Samson
Jephthah
David
Samuel
Prophets

Key Thought: **ENDURANCE** – They endured tests of life!