

3. Receives the promise of an eternal future

*“And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.”*

*Hebrews 11:39-40 (NKJV)*

## II. Conclusion to Hebrews 11

**Question:** Why did they so commit themselves to and so believe God?

**Answer:** They had a right view of who God is.

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for prayer after service.**

**“...pray for one another...” James 5:16**

## “The Great III” Faith – Hope – Love

*“In this life we have three great lasting qualities - faith, hope and love...”* 1 Corinthians 13:13 (JB Phillips)

### The Three (3) R's of courageous faith

- Faith **furnishes** the heart with firm **support** in the revealed promises of God.
- *“Faith is the assurance of things hoped for the conviction of things not seen.”*

*Hebrews 11:1 (NAS)*

- **Assurance** becomes **conviction**, which **defines** how we live.
- Abel – “The **first** man of faith”

Why? He believed God's **word** and **acted** on it in **obedience**.

## I. What are the three R's of courageous faith?

Hebrews 11:30-40

### Courageous faith...

#### 1. Risk

*"By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they were encircled for seven days. By faith the harlot Rahab did not perish with those who did not believe, when she had received the spies with peace. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens."*

*Hebrews 11:30-34 (NKJV)*

*"Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them."*

*Mark 11:24 (NKJV)*

#### 2. Rests and Rules in suffering

### Courageous faith continues in suffering believing God every minute of the way

*"Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented -- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth."*

*Hebrews 11:35-38 (NKJV)*

*"In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory receiving the end of your faith -- the salvation of your souls."*

*1 Peter 1:6-9 (NKJV)*