

Moved By Faith

I. Introduction: Hebrews 11:7

A. Any Bible student can see clearly that faith causes action (**Acts 8:12, Hebrews 11, and James 2:21-24**).

1. Faith is about believing and doing (**II Corinthians 4:13-14**).
2. Faith produces confidence coupled with action (**II Corinthians 5:5-11**).

B. Faith doesn't produce doubt and staggering (**Romans 4:16-22**).

1. See what faith can cause in you (**Ephesians 3:11-21**).
2. Failures come when faith fails (**Hebrews 3:14-19**).
3. When we come to the Lord we cannot waver (**Hebrews 10:22-23 and James 1:5-8**).

II. Body: Instead of moving by faith, too many are stilled by doubt (**Matthew 14:22-33**).

A. We'll go so far, then we can name all of the reasons we can't do the rest (**Hebrews 11:24-27 and Exodus 3:11; 3:13; 4:1; 4:10**).

1. How can Christians forget why they can (**Philippians 4:13; cf. John 15:5**)?
2. God hasn't given us the spirit of fear (**II Timothy 1:7**).

B. Instead of dropping things and doing the Lord's will, people are worried about laying in store for tomorrow (**Matthew 6:34 and Luke 12:22-31**).

1. Think of those "Christians" that are in an area without a sound congregation, won't start one, and won't move (**Luke 14:33; cf. Matthew 9:9, Philippians 3:7-8, and Matthew 19:16-29**).
2. Think of those who have anything standing between them and God, but won't move it aside (**Hebrews 12:1-2**).

- a. Family and friends (**Luke 21:15-17**).
- b. Work (**Matthew 4:18-20**).
- c. Sin (**Romans 6:16; cf. I John 3:4**).

3. Remember, "talk is cheap" (**Matthew 23:2-4**).

C. We have to be finishers (**John 8:30-31, Colossians 1:21-23, and James 1:25**).

1. Are you one who trips, falls, and stays down (**Psalms 20:7-8, Proverbs 24:16, and Micah 7:5-8**)?
2. With the Lord, you can be a finisher (**II Corinthians 1:8-10**).

III. Conclusion:

A. Let's not be of those who draw back (**Hebrews 10:38-39**).

B. **Hebrews 6:9-12**