



# HEBREWS

STEADFAST FAITH IN OUR SUPERIOR SAVIOR

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The Patriarchs: Faith that Rests in Peace | Hebrews 11:20-22



## MAIN POINT

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steadfast faith will find rest in  
the sovereignty of God.



# Isaac's Faith (v.20)





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*Trusted that God's plans cannot fail,  
even when they are accomplished  
through messy people*





# Jacob's Faith (v.21)





## Jacob's Faith (v.21)

*Trusted that God's purposes cannot be thwarted, even when they seem contrary to human wisdom*





# Joseph's Faith (v.22)





# Joseph's Faith (v.22)

*Trusted that God's promises cannot change, even when they are threatened by changing circumstances*





# APPLICATION

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GOOD THAT YOU MAY DO HIS WILL,  
WORKING IN US THAT WHICH IS PLEASING  
IN HIS SIGHT, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, TO  
WHOM BE GLORY FOREVER & EVER.”

HEBREWS 13:20-21



— Today's Sermon ————— 7-26-25 —

**“The Patriarchs – Faith That Rests in Peace”**

Hebrews 11:20-22 – *Pastor Scott Gnuse*

**Main point:** The patriarchs remind us that steadfast faith will find rest in the sovereignty of God.

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**Application:** By faith, run (and rest) in peace knowing God holds the future in His hands.



**Growing Deeper:**

1. What does it mean that God is sovereign? Why should this give Christians a greater sense of peace in this world? How can it help us remain steadfast in faith?
2. What stands out to you about the examples of Isaac, Jacob, and Joseph? What did you learn about their faith that you never previously considered?
3. Where do you find yourself to be most anxious about the future? How do changing circumstances tend to bring about a greater sense of unease in your life? What promises from Scripture do you need to cling to in these moments?
4. How were the bones of Joseph a symbol of hope to the Israelites? What are some of the symbols we find in the life and ministry of Jesus that give us hope for the future? In what sense is hope just faith that looks forward?

**Heart Preparation:** Prepare your heart for worship on 08/03 by reading Hebrews 11:23-29. If you have time, you can also read Exodus 1-15.

**Family Discipleship:** As a family, share some of the things you are looking forward to in the future. Perhaps it is an upcoming event (like a vacation, game, movie, or show) or maybe it is a new stage of life (school, job, marriage, children). Discuss why it would be wrong to base our hope and happiness on these things? This would be a good time to talk about what it means for God to be sovereign (in control) of our future. Why do you think it is best for us to trust in God's plans for the future, and not our own?

**Prayer Prompt:** O Great God, thank You for being the sovereign Lord over all creation! Help me to trust in Your good promises when life gets hard or circumstances continue to change. May I remain steadfast in faith by finding my ultimate hope and rest in You. Amen!