## Sunday AM, January 26, 2025 What is Faith? Hebrews 11:1-3

## **Hebrews 11:1-3**

<sup>1</sup>Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. <sup>2</sup>For by it the people of old received their commendation. <sup>3</sup>By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

## I. What is Faith?

- A. This morning, we come to one of the most beloved chapters in the Book of Hebrews, chapter 11.
- B. The basic Biblical word for faith means belief, trust, or confidence, but verse one expresses this definition in two parallel and almost identical phrases.

John 20:29

<sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

2 Corinthians 5:7

<sup>7</sup>for we walk by faith, not by sight.

## II. A Life Pleasing to God

- A. From Genesis to Revelation, people please God when they walk by faith.
- B. One of the greatest acts of faith for a Christian is to believe that God spoke the universe into existence.
- C. Throughout this study of Hebrews chapter 11, I want each of us to think carefully about what it means to be a man or woman who walks by faith.