

The History of Delayed Gratification - Hebrews - Week XXXIX

Isaiah 43 thoughts

- As you read through Isaiah 43, what jumps out at you? What is God saying to you?
 - What does Isaiah 43 say about God that is a faith booster?
 - How does Isaiah 43 help us endure the 'Hebrews 11 list' in our lives?
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New Spirit Filled Life Bible Commentary:

By Biblical definition we understand these defining issues that qualify a meaning of "faith" that exceeds humanism and avoids more subjective, philosophical ideas. The concept of faith, according to God's Word, entails understanding that:

- 1. The entire creation, visible and invisible, is the result of a Creator's direct, intelligent action and not the product of blind chance*
- 2. Historic figures have encountered this Creator in personal ways, evidencing He is more than merely a force and that He is a personal God who relates to those who seek Him in providential and redemptive ways*
- 3. Any worthy approach to God, with true faith, must believe these two propositions if faith is to have a starting point and a realizable goal.*

Better Things in Hebrews

Hebrews 1:4 having become so much better than the angels, as He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they

Hebrews 6:9 But, beloved, we are confident of better things concerning you, yes, things that accompany salvation, though we speak in this manner.

Hebrews 7:7 Now beyond all contradiction the lesser is blessed by the better.

Hebrews 7:19 for the law made nothing perfect; on the other hand, *there is the* bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.

Hebrews 7:22 by so much more Jesus has become a surety of a better covenant.

Hebrews 8:6 But now He has obtained a more excellent ministry, inasmuch as He is also Mediator of a better covenant, which was established on better promises

Hebrews 9:23 Therefore *it was* necessary that the copies of the things in the heavens should be purified with these, but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.

Hebrews 10:34 for you had compassion on me in my chains, and joyfully accepted the plundering of your goods, knowing that you have a better and an enduring possession for yourselves in heaven.

Hebrews 11:16 But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.

Hebrews 11:35 Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection

Hebrews 11:40 God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

Hebrews 12:24 to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than *that of* Abel.

Perfection in Hebrews

Hebrews 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Hebrews 5:9 And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him

Hebrews 7:19 for the law made nothing perfect; on the other hand, *there is the* bringing in of a better hope, through which we draw near to God.

Hebrews 7:28 For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, *appoints* the Son who has been perfected forever.

Hebrews 9:9 It *was* symbolic for the present time in which both gifts and sacrifices are offered which cannot make him who performed the service perfect in regard to the conscience

Hebrews 10:1 For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, *and* not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect.

Hebrews 10:14 For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

Hebrews 11:40 God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

Hebrews 12:23 to the general assembly and church of the firstborn *who are* registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect

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- ***"The generations are far more interconnected than most of us realize. In God's mind, accomplishing something through our descendants is the same as accomplishing it through us. If He fulfills His promises through our offspring (natural or spiritual), the accomplishments were for us as well as them."*** Dutch Sheets
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Romans 4:20 He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God