

A Heavenly Hope

Working in small groups, answer the questions below.

1. From Hebrews 11:1, write a biblical definition for faith.
2. Below is a list of events in Abraham's life that demonstrate his faith through his obedience to God. Some of these will be discussed in later lessons, and some we have discussed today. Next to each item, try to identify a similar situation in your life in which you have demonstrated, or may someday demonstrate, your faith.
 - Leaving his home and family for an unknown country
 - Building an altar to worship God
 - Offering Lot the choice of land to live in
 - Waiting for a son to fulfill God's promise
 - Offering Isaac, the son of promise, as a sacrifice
3. How does Abraham embody the instructions in Colossians 3:1-5?
4. What things here on earth have you set your hope on?
5. What would need to change about your lifestyle if you were to act as a "stranger and pilgrim" here on this earth?
6. If we are going to trust God to fulfill his promises, why is an understanding of God's faithfulness important?