

### **Faith (part 3) Heb 11:1-3, 6**

Faith is Substantial, Evidential and Essential

**Biblical faith is always a choice---**

Faith is not *presumption* (what you desire, or what you assume) {faith in faith}

The Faith we see in this chapter is based on **Revealed Truth**

1. **Substantial---** Trusting what God has revealed produces *reality, substance*

A. **Substance-** *Hypostasis* is a very common Greek word derived (*hypo-* under), what stands under anything (a building, a contract, a promise) (RWP)

foundation, guarantee, support, firm ground

'Faith is the title-deed of things hoped for'

## **2. Evidential-----Evidence (v.3)---“The proving of things not seen”**

A. **When we say Faith is evidential** –We mean that Faith is not a blind leap

**Biblical faith is based on evidence**

- Acts 1: 3
- Romans 1: 19

**God has provided the evidence first and also provided a reliable record of the evidence.**

B. **When we say Faith is evidential** We mean that **Biblical faith produces evidence—it is the evidence**

Inward assurance

Manifest assurance:

**Saving faith occurs** when I choose to believe in Him for what I can't see....or believe in Him for what I think I can see (that contradicts what He has revealed)

**Life changing faith *BECOMES* the evidence of what I cannot see**

## **3. Faith is Essential**

6 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.