

NOTES

1. Walking by faith involves _____ up rather than giving up.
2. Faith does not require a strong start, just a strong _____.
3. Walking by faith means _____ for the next step.

Scripture Refs

Heb. 11:1,6; Judges 4; 6:12-16; 7; 8:28; 13:1-5; 15:15; 16; Rom. 11:36
Rev. 2:3-4; Gal. 6:9

Reflection & Discussion

1. Several examples in Hebrews 11 of *walking by faith* involve *overcoming seemingly impossible odds* (e.g. Gideon and Barak):
 - a. What Scriptures encourage God’s people to *persevere in trust* through such circumstances?
 - b. How is God glorified by believers in these circumstances?
 - c. What words of advice would you offer a Christian who says: “I think that this is too much for me to handle...”?

2. Barak’s faith began with some *reluctance* but then ended with *confidence* (Judges 5 is his—and Deborah’s—song of *praise and victory*):
 - a. What are common reasons God’s people show reluctance in walking by faith?
 - b. What area(s) of life might you be prone to *reluctance* rather than *boldness/faithfulness*? How do you finish strong?

3. Consider the challenges and victories of *Samson*:
 - a. Samson fell into *compromising* his faith on several occasions: What does God’s Word teach us about *avoiding compromise*?
 - b. What *takeaways* would you offer a new believer about the faith of Samson?