

Abraham and Sarah At the Crossroads

INTRODUCTION

1. The choice he makes at the crossroads will affect himself, his family and _____!
2. He is mentioned _____ times in the New Testament!
3. Hebrews 11:8-12 and 17-19
 - a) "Not knowing where he was going"
 - b) They could not leave a forwarding address!
4. What did Abraham and Sarah have to permit such faith and _____?

DISCUSSION

I. They Had Ears That Were Willing to Listen (11:8a)

- A. The story of Abraham is told in Genesis 12-25
(note the repeat of the phrase: "the _____ came to Abraham")
- B. Believers today need "ears of _____"
 1. We do not hear the audible _____
 2. He speaks through His _____ (Romans 10:17)
 3. Matthew 13:9 _____



II. They Had Feet That Were Willing to Walk (11:8b)

- A. Faith does more than just listen! It _____! (God's commands are man's _____)
- B. The life of faith begins with a _____ of faith!
 1. God's "pilgrims" must have _____ feet!
 2. II Corinthians 5:1 _____
 3. Philippians 3:20 _____
- C. The word "promise" appears twice (Abraham did not live on _____, he lived on _____!)
- D. The beautiful thing about faith: the more that you use it, the more it _____! (Romans 4:20)



III. They Had Eyes That Were Fixed On the Goal (11:10,13)

- A. Sin shifts our attention from the Divine to earthly
 1. Genesis 3:6 - "when the woman saw _____"
 2. Genesis 13:10 - "when Lot saw _____"
 3. Matthew 14:30 - "when Peter saw the wind _____"
- B. Vision of faith makes the _____ of faith possible!
 1. I John 5:4 _____
 2. II Corinthians 4:18 _____
- C. Our greatest danger today is _____!



IV. They Had Lips That Were Ready to Confess (11:13b-14)

- A. God's pilgrims are not only walking, they are _____
 1. Acts 4:20 _____
 2. I Peter 3:15 _____
 3. Mark 5:19 _____
- B. Our banner should proclaim: "Come with us and we will do you good" (Numbers 10:29)



V. They Had a Heart That Desired a Better Country (11:15-16)

- A. The human heart needs a _____
 1. Proverbs 4:23 _____
 2. Matthew 12:34 _____
- B. Abraham's descendants would one day leave bondage in Egypt -- then long to go back!
 1. Why? They missed the _____
 2. For one who has "tasted the good Word of God", "Egypt" has nothing to offer!



CONCLUSION

1. Abraham and Sarah made _____
2. But their basic direction was _____
3. Is yours?