

Making it Mine

A Bible study for kids ready to
grow a faith of their own.

Month 5 Week 4

WORSHIP

READ:

Hebrews 10-13

Heart graffiti:

“Therefore,
since we are
_____ a

that cannot be
shaken, let us
be _____,
and so
_____ God
acceptably
with _____
and awe.”
Hebrews 12:28

We have worship music, a worship leader and a worship service, but what exactly is worship? The Encarta dictionary defines the verb worship this way: 1. *to treat somebody or something as divine and show respect by engaging in acts of prayer and devotion* 2. *To take part in a religious service* 3. *To love, admire, or respect somebody or something greatly and perhaps excessively or unquestioningly.* The Greek word for worship in Hebrews 12:28 (*latreuo*) means to minister to God. (Meyers) How can we possibly minister to God? What do we have to offer Him? He doesn't need His slippers brought to Him. He doesn't need us to bring Him a cool glass of water. So, how can we minister to God? What does Matt. 25:37-40 say? _____

Every week we gather with other believers to worship God in a service where we praise and adore Him. We sing songs of praise, lift up our prayers to Him, and learn more about Him - For about an hour. Then what? What is the worship that God finds acceptable? How do we show Him appropriate reverence and awe with our lives? Why does the writer of Hebrews remind us that our God is a consuming fire? How is that to affect our worship of Him?

Hebrews 11 lists all kinds of people of faith, faith that presumably led them to acceptable worship of God for without faith it is impossible to please God. But if you look at the descriptions of these people's faith, it is always for what their faith prompted them to **do**. Noah's faith built an ark and preserved life. Abraham's faith fathered a new people in a new land. The faith of Moses' parents saved the life of their son. The faith of Rahab hid the spies. So what is the connection between our faith and our worship? Can we worship God and not deal with loving the people around us, with throwing off sin, with life in this world?

HEBREWS 11

What is faith? _____

Hebrews 11:6 says without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that He exists. But it doesn't take much. In fact, just the faith of a mustard seed can eventually move mountains of doubt. Just enough faith to say "God if you are real, show me." He will.

Which of the accomplishments of faith most impress you in this chapter?



HEBREWS 12

Who are the witnesses that we are surrounded by? _____

What are some of the things that hinder us that we may need to throw off? _____

What are some ways that hardship can be helpful discipline? _____

How can we strengthen our feeble arms and weak knees? _____



**"But we are not
of those who
shrink back and
are destroyed,
but of those
who believe and
are saved."**

Hebrew 10:39

Do you shrink, or
believe? _____

In what way? _____



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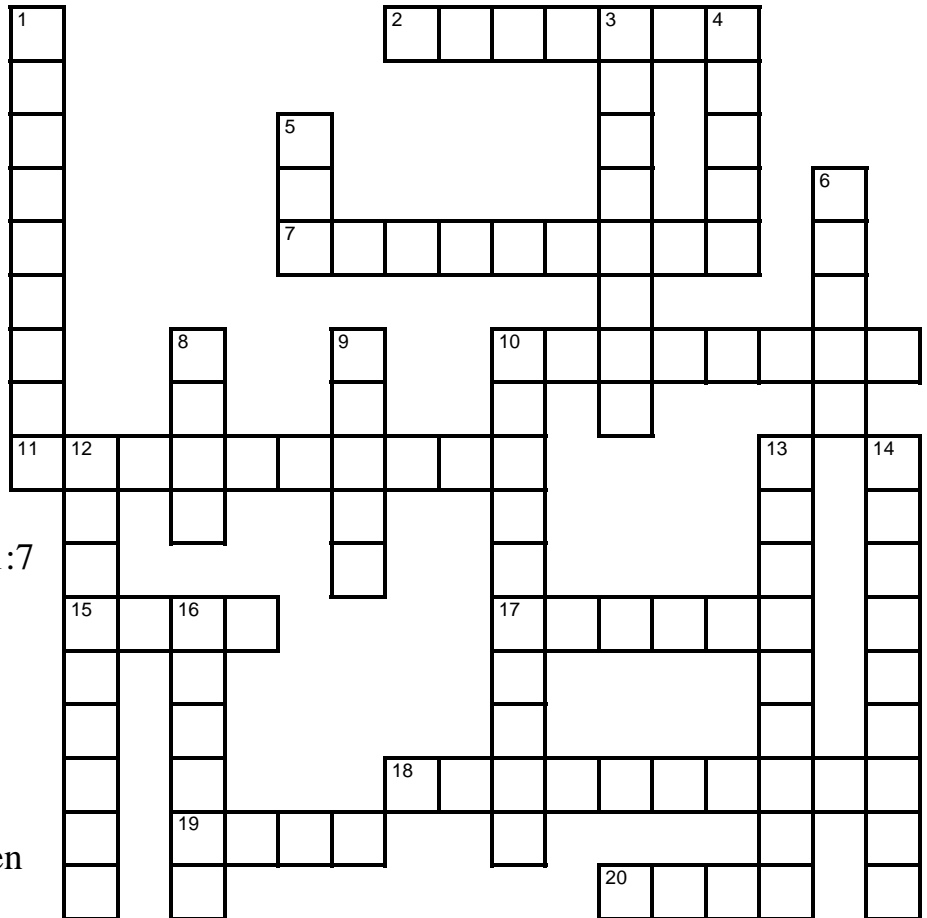
Hebrews 10-13

Across

2. obeyed 11:8
7. what we are surrounded by 12:1
10. bear Christ's 13:13
11. reminders of sin 10:3
15. we are made this by Jesus 10:10
17. offer God this sacrifice 1 3:15
18. do not throw this away 10:35
19. built an ark in holy fear 11:7
20. hold unservingly to this 10:23

Down

1. what sin does 12:1
3. to be endured as discipline 12:7
4. where God's laws are written 10:16
5. a shadow of good things coming 10:1
6. what discipline produces 12:11
8. will consume the enemies of God 10:27
9. being sure of what we hope for 11:1
10. don't make light of this 12:5
12. submit to them 13:17
13. worship God with this 12:28
14. entertain them 13:2
16. keep doing this to each other 13:1

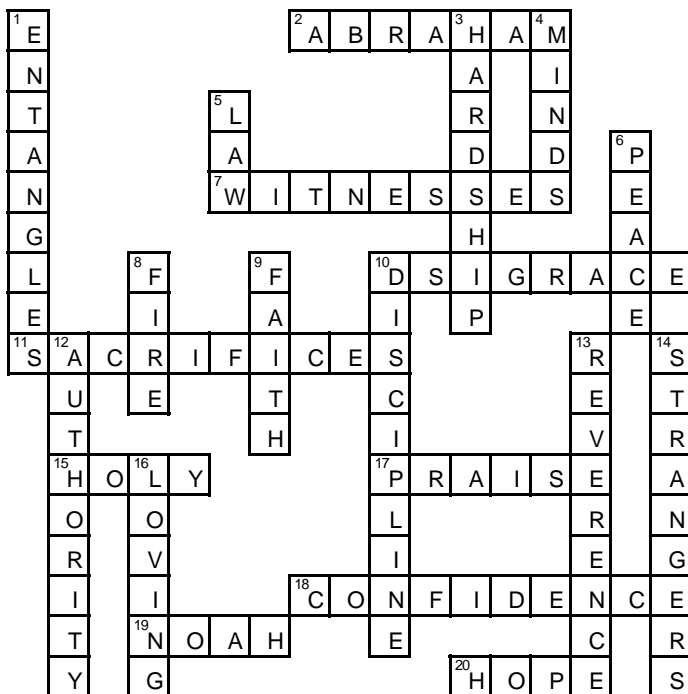


SUFFERING SAINTS Heb. 11

There are many who are not listed in the faith hall of fame, but are referred to as those who were swan in two, faced jeers and flogging, were stoned and put in prison, and were put to death by the sword. They were destitute, persecuted, and mistreated. How would you feel about going through all that for a promise in some distant future? _____



TIPS for parents and teachers



HEART GRAFFITI

How is your train of heart graffiti coming? Don't forget to add a train car each month, and to review all the verses that we have memorized so far.

Our two favorite review games are:

- Each student takes a turn reading a verse off of the chalkboard, erasing one word at each turn. If someone gets stumped their classmates can give clues or pantomime to help them out.
- The other favorite is to assign a word or words to each seated student who jumps up and shouts their word at the appropriate time.

We also have some fun imagining circumstances in which we would find ourselves without a Bible and needing to rely on our memory of Scripture. "It could happen that...."



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