

Key Scripture

Revelation 4:1 Message

Then I looked, and, oh! — a door open into Heaven. The trumpet-voice, the first voice in my vision, called out, "Ascend and enter. I'll show you what happens next."

Looking Forward to "What's Next"

Hebrews 11:8-19 NLT

8 It was by faith that Abraham obeyed when God called him to leave home and go to another land that God would give him as his inheritance. He went without knowing where he was going. 9 And even when he reached the land God promised him, he lived there by faith—for he was like a foreigner, living in tents. And so did Isaac and Jacob, who inherited the same promise. 10 Abraham was confidently looking forward to a city with eternal foundations, a city designed and built by God. 11 It was by faith that even Sarah was able to have a child, though she was barren and was too old.

She believed that God would keep His promise. 12 And so a whole nation came from this one man who was as good as dead—a nation with so many people that, like the stars in the sky and the sand on the seashore, there is no way to count them.

"What's Next" Kind of Faith

- ✓ Abraham was saved by faith.
- ✓ Abraham lived by faith.
- ✓ Abraham's obedience was evidence of his faith.

Obeyed when he didn't know...

- Where. Hebrew 11:8-10
- **How**. Hebrew 11:11-12
- When. Hebrews 11:13-16
- **Why.** Hebrews 11:17-19

Reasons The Lord Is Calling You

- ✓ Salvation
- ✓ Tell others about the Good News of Jesus
- ✓ Live as an example to others.

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What's Next? Steps of Faith

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Romans 4:12 NASU

...follow in the <u>steps of the faith</u> of our father Abraham...

1. Listen to what God is saying.

Genesis 12:1 BBE

1 Now the Lord said to Abram, Go out from your...
4 So Abram went as the Lord had said to him,

2. Leave your comfort zone.

Genesis 12:1 NIV

The Lord had said to Abram, "*Leave your* country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you.

3. Let - go of the past and Look forward to Jesus.

Joshua 24:2 NIV

Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: <u>'Long ago your forefathers</u>, including Terah the father of Abraham and Nahor, lived beyond the River and worshiped other gods.

1 Thessalonians 1:8-10 NLT

...wherever we go we find people telling us about your faith in God. We don't need to tell them about it, 9 for they keep talking about the wonderful welcome you gave us and how you turned away from idols to serve the living and true God.

10 And they speak of <u>how you are looking forward to the coming of God's Son</u>

from heaven—<u>Jesus</u>, whom God raised from the dead.

He is the one who has rescued us from the terrors of the coming judgment. $\label{eq:coming} % \begin{subarray}{ll} \end{subarray} \begin$

4. Live like God will keep His promises.

Hebrews 11:11; 17-19 NLT

11 ... She believed that God would keep His promise.

17 It was by faith that Abraham offered Isaac as a sacrifice when God was testing him. Abraham, who had received God's promises, was ready to sacrifice his only son, Isaac, 18 even though God had told him, "Isaac is the son through whom your descendants will be counted." 19 Abraham reasoned that if Isaac died, God was able to bring him back to life again. And in a sense, Abraham did receive his son back from the dead.

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