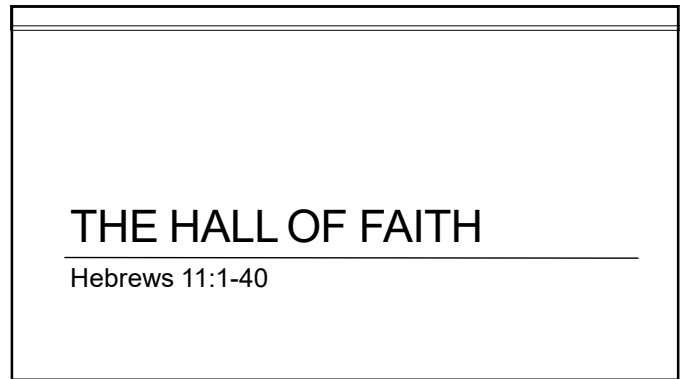
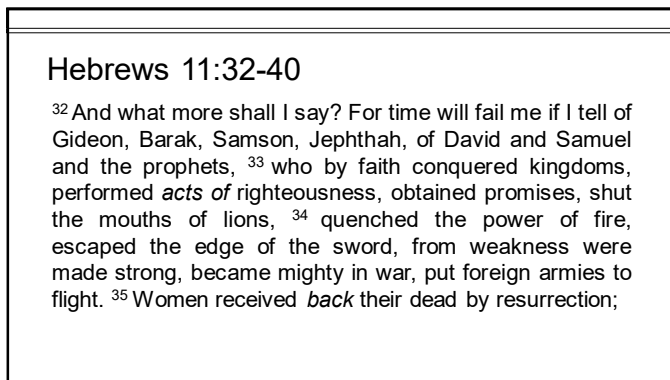




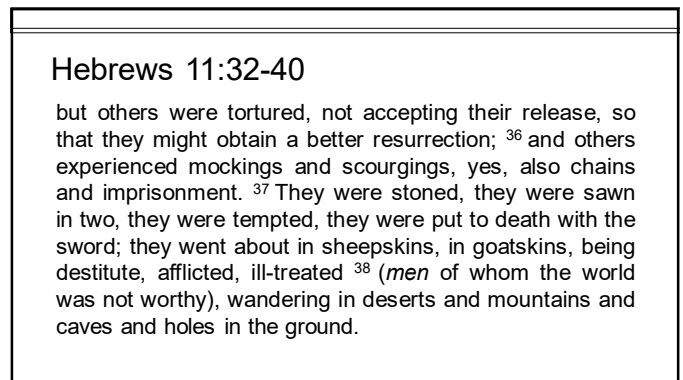
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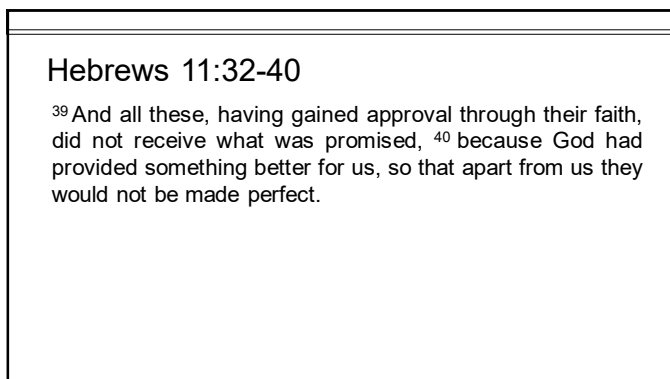
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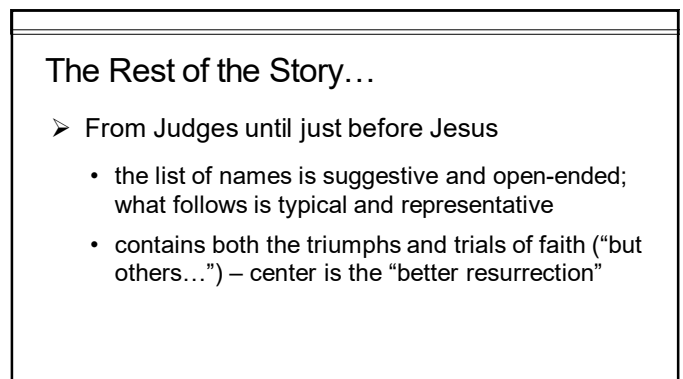
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Triumphs of Faith

1. The Nature of their Faith

- they trusted in and acted upon God's power and promise to deliver from their enemies
- though imperfect and at times weak, their faith was pleasing to God – they “gained approval”

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Triumphs of Faith

2. The Nature of their Triumphs

A. Nine Examples – three groups of three

- political success
- deliverances from death
- military victories

B. Climax – the resurrection of the dead

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³For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, ⁴for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. ⁵*We are* destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and *we are* taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,
(2 Cor. 10:3-5)

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Triumphs of Faith

3. The Ultimate Triumph

- a “better resurrection” – there is no return to death but the inheritance of the heavenly city
- the assured promise of a better resurrection is the foundation that empowers God's people to hold fast to Christ, especially in suffering

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