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CRAZY FAITH

Hebrews 11

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I. The Definition of Crazy Faith

- Faith is not a blind leap in the dark.
- Faith is not a feeling.
- Faith is not reason.
- Faith is not simply a belief. (*James 2:19*)
- Faith is the assurance of things hoped for. (*Heb. 11:1*)
- Faith is the conviction of things not seen.

II. The Craziiness of Faith

- It sees what is not visible. (*Heb. 11:27*)
- It rejoices in difficulties. (*James 1:2*)
- It gives instead of takes. (*Acts 20:35*)
- It serves instead of demands. (*Mark 10:42-45*)
- It loves its enemies. (*Matthew 5:44*)
- It sacrifices self instead of pampering self.
(*Matt. 16:24-25, Heb. 11:35-39*)

III. Let's Get Crazy

- It Takes Preparation
 1. Start with prayer. (*Mark 9:24*)
 2. Completely surrender everything.
(*Heb. 11:25-26*)
- It Takes Knowledge
 1. Diligently seek Him. (*Heb. 11:27*)
 2. Diligently seek His Word.
(*Heb. 11:17-19, Rom. 10:17*)
- It Takes Experience
 1. Check the references. (*Heb. 11*)
 2. Just do it. (*Heb. 11:8*)
 3. Burn your bridges. (*Heb. 11:29, 31*)