

A man in detailed, golden-brown armor is the central figure. He holds a wooden staff in his left hand and a banner in his right. The banner features Hebrew text, including the words 'אשר' (asher) and 'אשר' (asher). The background is a wall of ancient Egyptian reliefs, showing various figures and symbols. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the man's armor and the banner.

For Such a Time as This — Bold and Faithful Men of God

Men of Faith in Christ

For Such a Time as This...

- **1st year:** Nehor institutes priestcraft for the first time amongst the people and endeavors to enforce it by killing Gideon with the sword.
- **5th year:** Amlici, a follower of Nehor, draws away many after him because of his cunning. His followers endeavor to establish him as king over the land with the intent to destroy the Church of God. While their initial attempt fails, Amlici's followers gather together in rebellion, establishing Amlici as king and arming themselves for war. After Alma defeats the Amlicities at the hill of Amnihu, the Amlicities join with the Lamanites. Alma meets them at the river Sidon and defeats them. Many are slain and Alma is injured. Not many days pass and the Lamanites and Amlicities fight the Nephites again at Amnihu. The Nephites are victorious, and the Amlicities dissent completely.

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- **11th year:** The Amalekites and Amulonites stir up the Lamanites to come against the Anti-Nephi-Lehi's and then turn their attention upon the Nephites. They destroy Ammonihah. Chief Captain Zoram reclaims those who had been carried away
- **15th year:** The Amalekites and Amulonites again seek to destroy the people of Ammon displacing them from their home. The people of Ammon turn to the Nephites for refuge. Tremendous battle in Jershon, "even such a one as never had been known..." tens of thousands are killed.
- **17th year:** Korihor begins preaching which leads many to leave the Church. The Zoramites dissent and force out all who believe in Christ.

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- **18th year:** Zerahemnah leads the Lamanites and Zoramites against the people of Nephi. Chief Captain Moroni defeats him at the river Sidon.
- **19th year:** Amalichiah, a Nephite, desires to become king, creating dissension among the Nephites. He eventually becomes king of the Lamanites by stratagem and sends a mighty army to conquer the Nephites, which ultimately fails.
- **24th year:** Morianton, a Nephite, desires to become king and leads a rebellion. Teancum defeats Morianton and his army by the border of the land Desolation.

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- **25th year:** A group of men, called the king-men, dissent and attempt to change the law of the land causing a great division among the people. Amalichiah leads another great army, this time at its head, to destroy the Nephites. Many cities are lost. Teancum assassinates Amalichiah.
- **26th year:** Ammoron, Amalichiah's brother, becomes king and begins to march against the Nephites on the borders by the west sea. "And thus were the Nephites in those dangerous circumstances." [Alma 24:16]
- **30th year:** Pachus, a Nephite, declares himself king overthrowing Pahoran, the chief judge, in the land of Zarahemla. Moroni has to turn his focus from defending his nation against the Lamanites, to defeating his own people while in the midst of starvation.



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- **1st to the 14th year:** Ammon, Aaron, Omner, Himni, and others seek to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the Lamanites. Thousands are brought to unto Christ. Alma seeks to pull down, by the word of God and pure testimony, all pride and contention among his people.
- **11th year:** King Anti-Nephi-Lehi and his people make a covenant with God by burying their weapons deep in the earth as a testimony that they would rather die than to commit sin.
- **14th year:** Alma, Amulek, and others preach the Gospel and establish the Church in all the land, “having got the victory over the devil, and the word of God being preached in its purity in all the land...” [Alma 11:32]

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- **17th year:** Alma confounds Korihor by the power of God which convinces those who had left the Church to come unto the Lord and repent. Alma, Ammon, Aaron, Omner, Amulek, Zeezrom, and two of Alma's sons (Shiblon and Corinaton) preach to the Zoramites, converting many to Christ.
- **18th year:** Moroni becomes Chief Captain of the Nephites at age 25. He immediately begins to prepare his people for war. "Yea, verily, verily I say unto you, if all men had been, and were, and ever would be, like unto Moroni, behold, the very powers of hell would have been shaken for ever; yea, the devil would never have power over the hearts of the children of men." [Alma 21:140].

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- **19th year:** Helaman, Shiblon, Corinaton, Ammon, and others go forth to declare the word of God in every city that they might establish the church again in all the land. Moroni establishes the Title of Liberty... “in memory of our God, our religion, and freedom, and our peace, our wives, and our children...” [Alma 21:40-53]
- **26th year:** Helaman and his two thousand [and 60] young warriors make a covenant to protect the Nephites and their people. They are instrumental in helping the Nephites defeat the Lamanites their part of the land.



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Luke 21:24-26

24... And then His disciples asked Him, saying, Master, tell us concerning thy coming? **25** And He answered them, and said, In the generation in which the times of the Gentiles shall be fulfilled, there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth ***distress of nations with perplexity***, like the sea and the waves roaring. The earth also shall be ***troubled***, and the waters of the great deep; **26** Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth. For the powers of heaven ***shall be shaken***.

DC 1:3-4

1:3a Wherefore the voice of the Lord is unto the ends of the earth, that all that **will** hear **may** hear; 1:3b prepare ye, prepare ye for that which is to come, for the Lord is nigh; and the anger of the Lord is kindled, and his sword is bathed in heaven, and it shall fall upon the inhabitants of the earth; and the arm of the Lord shall be revealed; 1:3c and the day cometh that they who will **not hear** the voice of the Lord, **neither** the voice of his servants, **neither** give heed to the words of the prophets and apostles, shall be cut off from among the people; 1:3d for they have strayed from mine ordinances, and have broken mine everlasting covenant; they seek not the Lord to establish his righteousness, 1:3e but every man walketh in his own way, and after the **image** of his own god, whose **image** is in the likeness of the world, and whose substance is that of an idol, which waxeth old and shall perish in Babylon, even Babylon the great, which shall fall.

DC 1:3-4

1:4a Wherefore I the Lord, **knowing the calamity** which should come upon the inhabitants of the earth, called upon my servant Joseph Smith, Jr., and spake unto him from heaven, and gave him commandments, and also gave commandments to others, that they should proclaim these things unto the world;

1:4b and all this that it might be fulfilled, which was written by the prophets;

1:4c the weak things of the world shall come forth and break down the mighty and strong ones, that man should not counsel his fellow-man, neither trust in the arm of flesh, but that **every man** might speak in the name of God the Lord, even the Savior of the world; 1:4d that faith also might increase in the earth; that mine everlasting covenant might be established; 4e. that the fullness of my gospel might be proclaimed by the weak and the simple, unto the ends of the world, and before kings and rulers.

DC 85:25

85:25a And **after your testimony**, cometh wrath and indignation upon the people; for **after** your testimony cometh the testimony of earthquakes, that shall cause groanings in the midst of her, and men shall fall upon the ground, and shall not be able to stand. 85:25b And also cometh the testimony of the voice of thunderings, and the voice of lightnings, and the voice of tempests, and the voice of the waves of the sea, heaving themselves beyond their bounds. 85:25c And all things shall be in commotion; and surely men's hearts shall fail them; for fear shall come upon all people; and the angels shall fly through the midst of heaven, crying with a loud voice, sounding the trump of God, saying, 85:25d Prepare ye, prepare ye, O inhabitants of the earth, for the judgment of our God **is come**: behold, and lo, the Bridegroom cometh, go ye out to meet him.



Bold and Faithful Men of God...

A man in a brown leather tunic and belt is the central figure, holding a wooden staff. He is looking down with a serious expression. The background is a light, textured surface with faint, stylized figures of people in traditional attire, some holding staffs. The overall tone is historical and contemplative.

Who are they today?

A man in a golden, intricately detailed suit stands in the center of the frame. He is holding a long, dark wooden staff with both hands. The background is a wall covered in ancient Egyptian-style carvings of figures holding staffs. A banner with some illegible text is visible behind him. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting the man's suit and the textures of the wall.

What is Faith?

Faith [pistis]

1. **Conviction** of the truth of anything, belief; in the NT of a **conviction** or belief respecting man's relationship to God and divine things, generally with the included idea of trust and holy fervor born of faith and joined with it.

a. Relating to God

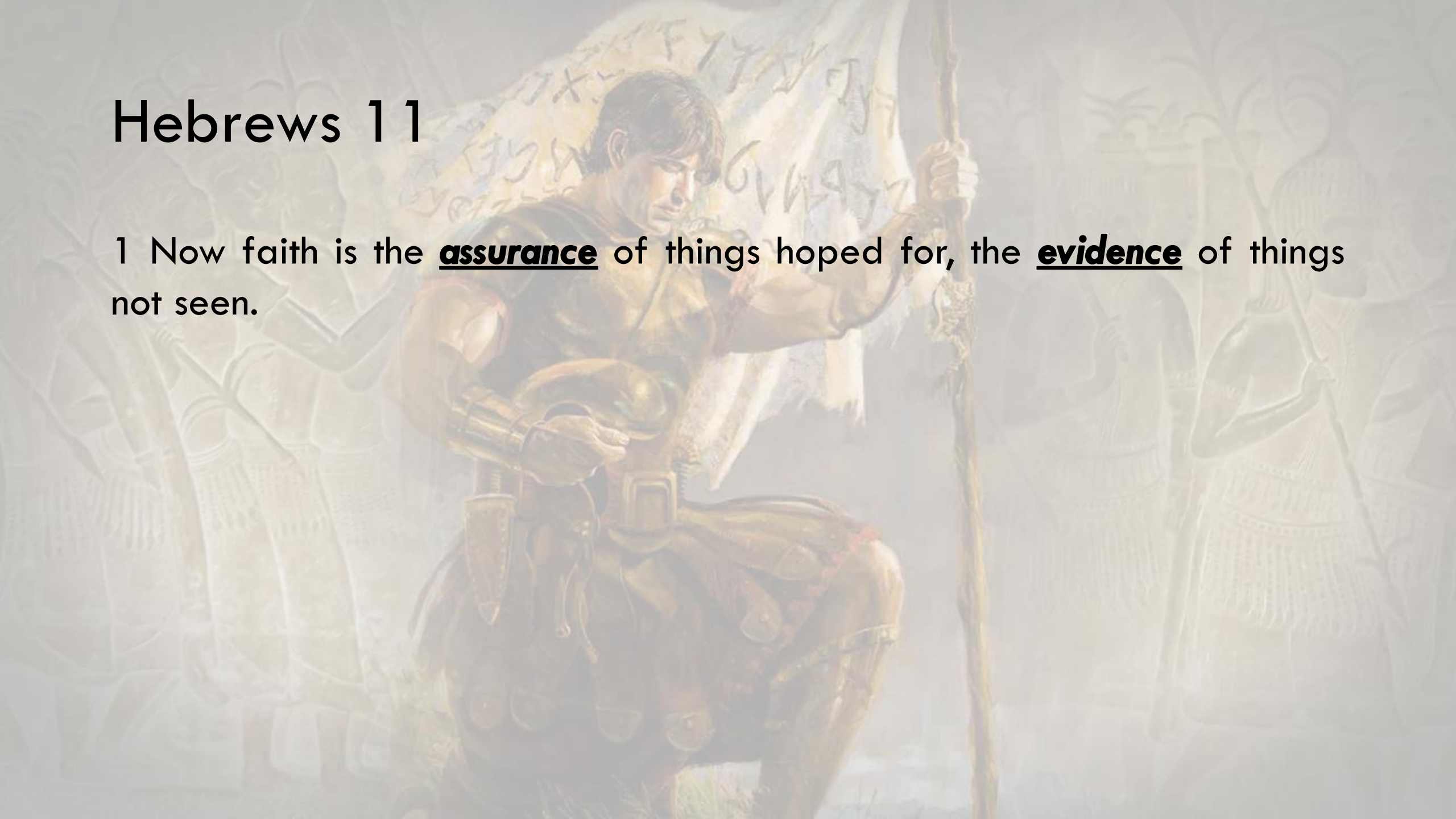
- i. The **conviction** that God exists and is the creator and ruler of all things, the provider and bestower of eternal salvation through Christ

b. Relating to Christ

- i. A strong and welcome **conviction** or belief that Jesus is the Messiah, through whom we obtain eternal salvation in the Kingdom of God

Hebrews 11

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1 Now faith is the **assurance** of things hoped for, the **evidence** of things not seen. 2 For **by it** the elders **obtained** a good report.

By faith...

- We ***understand*** that the worlds were framed by the word of God
- Abel ***offered*** unto God a more excellent sacrifice
- Enoch was translated that he should not see death for he ***pleased*** God
- Noah ***prepared*** an ark to the saving of his house
- Abraham ***obeyed***, looking for a city whose builder is God

Ether 5:6-22

By faith...

- Jesus **showed** Himself to the Nephites
- Men were **called** after the holy order of God
- God **prepared** a more excellent way through Christ
- Alma and Amulek **caused** the prison to tumble to the earth
- Nephi and Lehi **wrought a change** upon the Lamanites
- Ammon and his brethren **brought** many souls to Christ
- The three disciples **obtained** a promise that they would not die
- There were some who **could not be kept** from within the veil

Lecture of Faith 1:11c-11e

1:11c Are you not dependent on your faith, or belief, for the acquisition of **all** knowledge, wisdom, and intelligence? Would you exert yourselves to obtain wisdom and intelligence, **unless** you did believe that you could obtain them?

1:11d Would you have ever sown **if** you had not believed that you would reap? Would you have ever planted **if** you had not believed that you would gather? Would you have ever asked **unless** you had believed that you would receive? Would you have ever sought **unless** you had believed that you would have found? Or would you have ever knocked **unless** you had believed that it would have been opened unto you? 1:11e In a word, is there anything that you would have done, either physical or mental, if you had not previously believed? Are not **all** your exertions of every kind ***dependent on your faith?***



What does it mean to **truly**
believe or have faith?

Inner Response

(Trust, Believe, Hope)

Outward Response

(Obey, Act, Work)

James 2:15 Yea, a man may say, I will show thee I have faith without works; but I say, show me thy faith without works, and I will show thee my faith **by my works.**

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Alma 26:52 ...Behold, we know not but they [the Lamanites] have halted for the purpose that we should come against them, that they might catch us in their snare; therefore what say ye, my sons, **will ye go against them to battle?**... 54 ...so they said unto me, Father, behold, our God is with us, and he will not suffer that we shall fall; **then let us go forth**... 56 Now they never had fought, yet they did not fear death: and they did think **more** upon the liberty of their fathers, than they did upon their lives; yea, they had been taught by their mothers, that if they did not doubt, **that God would deliver them.** 57 And they rehearsed unto me the words of their mothers, saying, We do not doubt our mothers knew.