

## Faith That Perseveres

Series: *Unwavering Faith*

– Hebrews 11:32-40 –

“Women received back their dead, raised to life again. **There were others** who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection.”  
– verse 15

### 1. The Successes of Faith (vss. 32-35a)

### 2. The Suffering of Faith (vss. 35b-38)

“And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect.”  
– verses 39-40 (KJV)

#### Application Questions. . .

1. What part of the text or message had the greatest impact on you? Where were you most encouraged, intrigued, or challenged?
2. Do you think there is a misconception that if you follow God the road will always get easier?
3. What *comparisons* are made in vss. 16, 35 and 40? Summarize them in your own words.
4. Where is the balance between accepting suffering or hardship and yet, striving by faith to overcome it?
5. As you think back over Heb. 11, how do we see these “ancients” living for God’s bigger kingdom and purpose? How are we a part of this grand purpose (vv. 39-40)?
6. Whose kingdom’s successes do you most hope for — God’s or your own? How do you differentiate between the two?
7. Can you think of a time in the past or present when you felt disappointment with God? What leads to this disappointment?
8. What has encouraged you to continue to persevere in faith?

