

Lesson 11: John 3:14-18 (Cont.)

1. Chapter 3 Theme: God's _____ of _____

2. The Three Components of Faith:

- a. The first component of faith is _____ (Heb 11:4).
- b. The second component of faith is _____ (Heb 11:7).
- c. The third component of faith is _____ (Heb 11:17-19).
 - 1) _____ means:
 - a) The strong _____ that God exists and is the creator and ruler of all things.
 - b) The strong _____ that Jesus is the Messiah, through whom we obtain eternal salvation in the kingdom of God.
 - c) The strong _____ that the Lord is capable of keeping His promises.
 - 2) The example of Abraham (Gen 22:1-14).
 - a) Abraham had waited _____ years for the birth of his heir Isaac. He tried _____ other methods, but God had promised Abraham that he would be the father of many nations through the seed of the son born to him by his 90-year-old barren wife Sarah.
 - b) Abraham _____ God to keep His promise; therefore, he did not hesitate to offer his son Isaac as a sacrifice when commanded by God to do so.
 - c) His reasoning was simple. I _____ God to keep His promise to make me the father of many nations through the descendants of Isaac, but He cannot do that if Isaac is dead. I also _____ with all my heart that God is capable of keeping His promise; therefore, if I sacrifice Isaac, then I am _____ that the Lord will _____ him from the dead.
- d. The importance of obedience:
 - 1) Read Acts 5:32 and then 1 John 4:13.
 - 2) Is Peter saying that obedience is the only component of faith required for salvation? Is Peter contradicting Jesus' statement in John 3:16?

- a) Since obedience is the most _____ component of faith and the one that is _____ on the presence of the other two, Peter is simply saying that a person who _____ the Lord will also be one who _____ and _____ in the Lord.
 - b) Visualize two parallel walls supporting a roof.
- 3) Why is obedience so important?
- a) Obedience is an issue of _____ (Mark 10:17-22).
 - b) Read Matt 16:24.
- e. All three components _____ to create the _____ required for a person to have a saving faith in Jesus Christ.

3. Homework: Review chapter 3 and seek the answers to these two questions: 1) What is salvation? and 2) Why did God provide us with a plan of salvation?