





Living in the tension

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Hebrews 11:8-10 (ESV)

"8 By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going."

Hebrews 11:8-10 (ESV)

"9 By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise."

Hebrews 11:8-10 (ESV)

" 10 For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God. "

Hebrews 11:8-10 (NLT)

" 10 Abraham was confidently looking forward to a city with eternal foundations, a city designed and built by God."

Hebrews 11:13-16 (ESV)

“13 These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.”

Hebrews 11:13-16 (ESV)

“14 For people who speak thus make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. 15 If they had been thinking of that land from which they had gone out, they would have had opportunity to return.”

Hebrews 11:13-16 (ESV)

“16 But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.”

- A better country
- The tension
- The solution

Hebrews 11:1; 6 (ESV)

"1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen."

Hebrews 11:1; 6 (ESV)

"6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him."

Hebrews 11:39-40 (NLT)

“39 All these people earned a good reputation because of their faith, yet none of them received all that God had promised. 40 For God had something better in mind for us, so that they would not reach perfection without us.”

1 Corinthians 13:4-8; 10 (ESV)

“4 Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful;”

1 Corinthians 13:4-8; 10 (ESV)

“6 it does not rejoice at wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. 7 Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.”

1 Corinthians 13:4-8; 10 (ESV)

"8 Love never ends."

1 Corinthians 13:4-8; 10 (ESV)

"10 but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away."

Revelation 21:1-5 (NIV)

"1 Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth", for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband."

Revelation 21:1-5 (NIV)

"3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God."

Revelation 21:1-5 (NIV)

"4 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Revelation 21:1-5 (NIV)

"5 He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" Then he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."
