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Digging deeper: Hebrews 6:9-20 (Call to Spiritual Growth, continued)

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- How does this tie into bringing in a good harvest (Hebrews 6:7-8)?
- How do you think *obeying* this helps our eternal inheritance at the point when our works are judged?

Slide 4 (10 min)

Read Hebrews 11:11-16, 32-40

- What had God promised to these believers that they “saw from a distance?”
- If we know that God has fulfilled His promises to Abraham and will still bring His plans into fulfillment, how can you trust Him with what He wants to accomplish through you?
- How will that help you to continue relying on Him and not falling away from your obedience to Him and His Word?

Cathy's Observations

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(Assurance of an eternal home, never losing salvation, the arrival of the Holy Spirit in my life, a helper along the journey of Sanctification, the opportunity to partner with God in what He wants to accomplish not only in my life, but through me, the ability to rely upon a great power to accomplish things, the ability to say NO to the flesh, a life with Christ forever, serving Him.)

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(By showing love and care for other believers, we are allowing God to grow us and do a good work through us. When we do not show love for other believers, it makes us dull and indifferent.)
- How does this tie into bringing in a good harvest (Hebrews 6:7-8)? (Doing this means our soil is rich and ready to take in that seed of God's Word and grow and reproduce, helping others to see the Glory of God at work in our lives, and hopefully they will want to see that)
- How do you think *obeying* this helps our eternal inheritance at the point when our works are judged? (Eternal life is a given for believers, but there is also a judging of our works for rewards as part of an inheritance. A parent does not entrust his inheritance to a disobedient, rebellious, or lazy child, but might put restrictions on it.)

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- What had God promised to these believers that they “saw from a distance?”
(They refused to turn from trusting and obeying God (v35) so that they could enjoy a better life after the resurrection)
- If we know that God has fulfilled His promises to Abraham and will still bring His plans into fulfillment, how can you trust Him with what He wants to accomplish through you? (He can be fully trusted. After reading about the rebellious Jewish

leaders in 2 Kings and their being taken into captivity, I want to be fully obedient and reliant upon God – not on anything I might put as an idol before him.)

- How will that help you to continue relying on Him and not falling away from your obedience to Him and His Word? (When I'm mindful of all that comes in store with obedience, I don't want to lose out on anything. I want to Abide in Christ and allow myself to be fully useful to Him.)