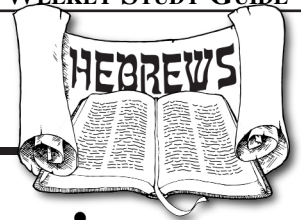


6. If God can use imperfect people as examples, why is it important to believe that Jesus is sinless?



# Faith, Foibles & Forgiveness

Introduction: HEBREWS 6:11-20.

I. Follow the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Review. 1 JOHN 2:6; TITUS 2:7-8

B. God highlights the \_\_\_\_\_

as \_\_\_\_\_ to follow. HEBREWS 6:11-15; 1 CORINTHIANS 4:7

II. Acknowledge the \_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

A. There are \_\_\_\_\_.

HEBREWS 4:14-15; MATTHEW 5:17; JOHN 1:29; 1 PETER 1:18-19;

ROMANS 6:9; 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21; ROMANS 3:23; MARK 10:18;

ISAIAH 64:6; 1 JOHN 1:8; PSALM 14:2-3

B. All people \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_.

C. \_\_\_\_\_ was an

\_\_\_\_\_ of faith.

GENESIS 12:1-3; HEBREWS 6:13-17; GENESIS 12-20

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## PERSONAL APPLICATION QUESTIONS

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1. In what way(s) do you feel inadequate to serve as a Christian example for others to follow?

2. How can God use you as an example in spite of your *foibles*?

If you have never been *born again*, contact Pastor Keith or a trusted Christian friend this week to find out how.

III. Embrace the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ for people of faith.

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ is more significant  
than the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

HEBREWS 6:13–20; PSALM 86:15; JONAH 4:2; EXODUS 34:6–7

B. God's \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_  
in the way he deals with \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.

HEBREWS 11:8–12, 24–25

C. People of faith \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_  
because of \_\_\_\_\_.

ROMANS 4:2–3; PSALM 32:5; 1 JOHN 1:9; 3:1–2

Conclusion: Don't let your \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_! EXODUS 33:22–23; 1 JOHN 3:2

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## STUDY & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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1. Give at least five examples of Abraham's *foibles*.

2. Explain why God uses Abraham as an example to follow.

3. Which person does the Bible portray as a person of faith,  
but whose life seems to make that person most disqualified for  
an example of faith? Explain and defend your answer.

4. The Bible repeatedly emphasizes *God's mercy and grace*.  
Find at least four Old Testament examples  
and four New Testament examples of this.

5. In MATTHEW 21:31–32, Jesus points to those with publicly poor  
reputations as being better models than certain religious leaders.  
Explain why, and show how this relates to this study.