Heir of Faith – PT II Gen 17:1-8 Pastor Victor Coleman July 27, 2016

What does it mean to be an "Heir of Faith"? Last time we learned that God puts us in situation to increase our faith. You are benefactors to a legacy of faith. We are "faith" inheritors. We have the shoulders of many to stand on. We should ensure we know the Word of God and mixed it with our faith. Victory is our through faith.

Hebrews 12:1-3 (NCV)¹ We are surrounded by a great cloud of people whose lives tell us what faith means. So let us run the race that is before us and never give up. We should remove from our lives anything that would get in the way and the sin that so easily holds us back. ² Let us look only to Jesus, the One who began our faith and who makes it perfect. He suffered death on the cross. But he accepted the shame as if it were nothing because of the joy that God put before him. And now he is sitting at the right side of God's throne. ³ Think about Jesus' example. He held on while wicked people were doing evil things to him. So do not get tired and stop trying.

To be an heir of faith: Hebrews 12:1-3 (KJV, AMP)

1. Faith must be increased. - Hebrews 11:8-12 (NIV)

2. Faith must be mixed with the Word - Hebrew 4:2 (KJV, AMP, NIV)

(AMP) ² For indeed we have had the good news [of salvation] preached to us, just as the Israelites also [when the good news of the promised land came to them]; but the message they heard did not benefit them, because it was not united with faith [in God] by those who heard.

(NIV) ... the message they heard was of no value to them, because they did not share the faith of those who obeyed.

- 3. Faith must be completed by action James 2:14-26 (ESV)
 - a. Faith works to defeat hopelessness Hebrews 11:11-12 (NIV), Romans 4:18-20 (AMP)
 - b. God completed faith by making us heirs Galatians 3:25-29 (NIV)

Gal 3:29 - If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.