



**“THESE ALL DIED IN FAITH...”**

***Heb. 11:13-22***

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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.**

**16 But as it is, they desire a better country,  
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not ashamed to be called their God, for he  
has prepared for them a city.**

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to **raise him from the dead...**”

20 “By faith **Isaac**...” (“**When Isaac  
was old and his eyes were dim so  
that he could not see...**” - *Gen. 27:1*)

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**Abraham**

**Heb. 11:8-12, 17-19  
(Gen. 22)**

**Isaac**

**Heb. 11:20 (Gen. 27)**

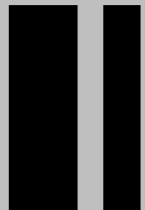
**Esau**

**Jacob**

**Heb. 11:21 (Gen. 47-49)**

**Joseph**

**Heb. 11:22 (Gen. 50)**





Heb. 11:13 **These all died in faith...**

***#1: People who live by faith can die in faith.***

Heb. 11:13 These all died in faith, **not having received the things promised...**

***#2: It is not unusual for people of faith to still be waiting at their death for God to fulfill his promises.***

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***#3: Those who die in faith have lived for God's purposes, not their own. They had a clear vision of God's eternal plans and died energized by the prospects of the future God had planned.***

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***#4: When we live as exiles, we discover what it means to long for our heavenly homeland. This yearning gives us what we need to die in faith.***

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***#5: Exiles hold God's promises loosely with an open hand (since they are God's promises).***

***But they simultaneously cling desperately to those same promises (since those promises were made to them).***

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***#6: God is pleased to be known as “the God of exiles who die in faith.” He is excited about the mind-boggling city he has prepared for those who, as exiles, knew that this world was not their home.***

