**Increase Our Faith: Faith is the Victory - Hebrews 11:3-13** 7-17-22p

**Introduction**

Series

A dilemma - with faith it doesn’t work out

**I. Faith**

1. These are our heroes

Examples - flesh out our goal and direction

2. Trust

Buy-in

Commitment

All in - what’s required

3. People of faith

-way we operate

-gospel - drop seeds by faith

-obey Bible laws by faith

4. A “tradition” of faith

-the thing that binds these folk together

-women, men, young, old , important and small

5. “Kept the faith”

Run the race

Finished the course

Kept the faith

**II. Believe in Him, even When Others do Not**

1. Not like us

A Dark/ broken world

-ideas differ

-recreations differ

-direction and goals differ

2. Wide way (lots) and a narrow way (few)

-two ways - 2 lifestyles

-narrow way then would be unpopular

!!). includes two ends

3. He often chooses not to be seen

-could... write it in the clouds

-not sure why

-but -it tests our unbelief

4. Example - dark days of Nazi Germany

Do you still believe in God?

Do you still believe in man?

5. Every now and then the curtain is pulled back

2 Kings 6 - Angels all around

**III. Believe His Way is Best**

1. Way of love/ compassion/ truth/ giving/ forgiveness

2. Don’t envy the inner (or his ways) - Proverbs 23:17-18

3. Stephen’s death -end

4. In the end

**The Way Things “Fall Out” - Phil. 1:12**

**-He works all things together for good**