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**Endless Summer  
Week 1**

**July 30, 2023**

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**INSPIRATION**

**“Our highest form of worship is trusting God against all odds.”**

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**ICE BREAKER**

When there is visible evidence of something, it requires no faith, but does that automatically mean that because something is not visible, that it is not believable?

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**DEEP DIVE**

1. **Read Hebrews 10: 19 – 11: 3 and 12: 1 – 3** If possible, read these verses in 2 or 3 different translations or paraphrase versions of the Bible. What ideas, words, thoughts are particularly interesting to you? Take note of them
2. What are the 5 ideas listed in Hebrews 10: 22 – 25 that the writer of Hebrews gives to his readers as they look forward to their future?
3. As the author writes to his dear friends, his brothers and sisters in Christ, he gives them a very serious warning in 10: 26 – 31. How would his words of encouragement and caution be important to think about before helping them to understand what faith really means in every day life situations?
4. How would you describe the past and present circumstances of those to whom the letter was first addressed?
5. Try to put Hebrews 11:1 - 2 into your own words. How does faith affect our view of “reality”, or what is most important in life? It is helpful to compare the different ways that these verses are translated.
6. Read Hebrews 11: 39 – 40. What do you think these verses mean and what implications do these truths have for believers today? Do the final verses in chapter 10 (35 – 39) help you to have a broader understanding of your future?
7. The temptation to “grow weary and lose heart” can still be a subtle, but serious issue for all of us. We can so easily rationalize the attitudes that demonstrate this problem. What is the antidote found in Hebrews 12: 1 – 3?



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## NEXT STEPS

*“Simply trusting every day - Trusting through a stormy way; Even when my faith is small, trusting Jesus, that is all. Trusting as the moments fly. Trusting as the days go by. Trusting Him, whate’er befall. Trusting Jesus, that is all.”*

What are your heart’s desires as you listen to God’s Spirit speak to you? Where do you need His gift of faith?

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## PRAYER

Invite the group to pray for one another. Pray over any needs or issues that were shared in your time together. Pray over the content discussed in your small group, highlighting the aspects that God's Spirit revealed to your group as important. Confirm your plans for your next gathering!

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## SERVE YOUR COMMUNITY

Establish a regular rhythm of serving together! Below are some service opportunities.

- BENSON – Local Mission Partner is ABIDE. Contact Campus Pastor for more information.
- MILLARD - Local Mission Partner is Heartland Hope. Contact Campus Pastor for more information.
- FREMONT - Local Mission Partner is LifeHouse. Contact Campus Pastor for more information.
- OMAHA - Local Mission Partner is Open Door Mission. Contact Campus Pastor for more information.
- Or get to know your community! Seek out service opportunities in your area.