“Now Faith” Is Total Commitment

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• **Hebrews 11:1 (NIV84) — 1** Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

• “**Now Faith**” Is Faith That Is “Here And Now” Present
  • *It Is Sure – It Is Certain*

**It Allows Us To Be All In**

• Fully Persuaded
• Fully Committed
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• COMMITMENT IS: “The act or process of devoting or pledging oneself to the doing of something.”

• God will never do all he can through us until we get committed

• “The world has yet to see what God can do with a person who is fully and wholly committed to Him”
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• *Commitment -- Blessing -- Success = Flow Together In Life*

• Success In Business Comes To The Committed

• Success In Sports Comes To The Committed
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*Commitment In Life Pays Off With Victory*

100% Commitment = 100% Victory

• *It is only when we are 100% committed to God that we see his 100% total victory in our spiritual walks*
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100% Commitment = 100% Victory Is Part Of The Sowing And Reaping Principles Of God:

• (Gal 6:7 NIV) Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.
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Total Commitment Has A Reward:

(Mark 10:28 NIV) Peter said to him, "We have left everything to follow you!" (29) "I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel (30) will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age (homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields--and with them, persecutions) and in the age to come, eternal life.

• **When You Are 100% Committed The Lord Will See You Through To A Place Of Powerful Victories**
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• *The Reason We Have So Many Half-Defeated Christians Is Directly Attributable To The Fact That They Are Only Half-Way Committed To The Lord In Their Lives*

• *When We Are Only Part Way Committed --We Don't See The Victories That We Ought To Be Seeing*

• *We Will Never Move Forward With Partial Commitment*
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• *Hebrews 11:8-10 (NIV)* (8) By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. (9) By faith he made his home in the promised land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. (10) For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

1. *Faith Is Obeying And Going: Acting On God's Word*
2. *Faith Is A Decision: Knowing Who Not Where*
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• Hebrews 11:17-19 (NIV) (17) By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had received the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, (18) even though God had said to him, "It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned." (19) Abraham reasoned that God could raise the dead, and figuratively speaking, he did receive Isaac back from death.
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- We Learn From Abraham That Faith Will Be Tested
- In Testing Faith Grows and Matures
- "Faith Really Grows In The Dark”

- Before We Can Be Assured It Will Hold Up Under Pressure There Must Be A Test
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*Abraham's Test Came In The Form Of Isaac*

*God Was Saying: Take This Blessing -- This Answer To Prayer – This Supernatural Provision -- And Put Him Down On The Altar*

*Abraham: Are You Willing To Trust God And Give Him Back To Him-- What He Has Given You ?*
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The Questions Of Faith

• Are You Willing To Trust God With Your All?
• Do You Trust Him With That Which You Love The Best?
• Will You Place On The Altar The Divine Provision That Answered Your Most Fervent Prayer?
• Can You Trust The Lord To Come Thru In All Of His Promise -- Even Those Which Are Dead And Need To Be Resurrected In Order To Be Fulfilled?
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• "Faith When Tested -- Puts It All On The Altar. It Sees The Dead Promise Resurrected..."

• True Faith Makes A Sacrifice Of God’s Blessings God And Gives Them Back To God

• Abraham Passed This Test By Offering In Faith-filled Commitment And Obedience His Son Back To God Just As God Had Asked Him

• A Scape-Goat Was Provided. Abraham Became The Father Of The Nation Of Israel. Thru Isaac -- His Son
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1. 100 % Commitment Stands the Test
   • We must be people of our word
   • We stand firm in our commitments
   • In unsure future -- our commitment must stand firm
   • Our commitment is matured through the experience of testing
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2. 100 % COMMITMENT GIVES IT'S ALL

(Rom 12:1 NIV) Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship.

• When we put our all on the altar of sacrifice we can know the 100% victory of the 100% committed.

• What We Give Away We Keep That Which We Hoard That We Lose... God Rewards 100% Commitment...
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3. 100% COMMITMENT IS 100% TOTALLY OBEDIENT

Matt 10:39 (NIV) Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

• We Obey Even When It Is Difficult
• 100% Committed = 100% Obedient
• 100 % Obedience Proves 100% Commitment
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• **100% Commitment Is Work:**
• **It Is Easier Not To Do What God Has Called You To Do**

• **When You Are 100% Committed You Understand That**
• **100% Commitment Involves Obedient Work**

• **Abraham's Obedience Proved His Commitment**
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• **Your 100% Commitment To God** Will Put You In A Position Where You Will See:

• **God's Dazzling Abilities**
• **God's Triumphant Timing**
• **And God's Miraculous Provision**
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1. 100% Commitment Stands The Test

2. 100% Commitment Gives It's All

3. 100% Commitment= 100% Obedience