Life Group Discussion Questions

1. Is there anything that particularly stood out to you from this passage or this message? Explain.

H _____ God in the center.
1 Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. 2 For by it the people of old received their commendation. 3 By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

2. Consider the definition of faith in verse 1. How would you put that in your own words?
3. "Living a life of faith is counting on God 100%. It is having no Plan "B". What does this mean to you personally these days?

O _____ life accordingly.
4 By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks.

4. We read in verse 4 that Abel, though he is dead, still speaks (through his faith). What does that mean to you? What is he 'saying' to you today?
5. What is the next step for you in following Abel's example of faith (ordering your life accordingly)?

P _____ to please God.
5 By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God.

6. "Life is short; live to please God." What does this mean to you personally these days? How are you living this out these days? (Or how can you?)
7. If someone were to ask you, "How can I please God." How would you answer?

E _____ the promise of reward.
6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

8. What does it mean to "draw near to God"? How are you doing that these days?
9. There are many rewards for those who seek Him. What are the ones on the top of your list? Why?

Closing Question
10. What was most meaningful to you personally about this discussion?