For the week of January 4, 2015

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**The Eyes of Faith**

***First week in the series ‘Immortal. Invisible.”***

**Hebrews 11:1**

Regarding the course of human history, close attention to contemporary ‘expert’ opinion can lead to three different conclusions: a) history is cyclical and nothing important ever changes; b) we are on a path leading to destruction and nothing can be done about it; c) human genius is on the verge of setting the world right. Those who believe in Jesus need not depend on contradictory contemporary opinions. In the preached message we consider Hebrews 11:1 and use it as a gateway to a series on the life of faith.

**Discussion Questions:**

1. We can have assurance about the truth of God’s Word and still wrestle with doubt and the temptation to disbelief. Can you relate an experience of working through a period of doubt?
2. The Greek word translated ‘hope’ does not imply contingency. It regards the promises of God as descriptions of certainties that are yet to come. What ‘future truth’ is a source of encouragement to you?
3. Relate a time when the ‘invisible companionship’ of Jesus was especially meaningful to you.