

Hebrews 11:1-3 (NIV)

[1] Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. [2] This is what the ancients were commended for. [3] By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.

Hebrews 11:4 (NIV)

[4] **By faith** Abel offered God a better sacrifice than Cain did. **By faith** he was commended as a righteous man, when God spoke well of his offerings. And **by faith** he still speaks, even though he is dead.

Hebrews 11:5-6 (NIV)

[5] By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death; he could not be found, because God had taken him away. For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God. **[6]** And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

**Are we SURE of What
we HOPE for?**

Hebrews 11:1-3

THEMES of the Book of HEBREWS...

- Jesus is **SUPERIOR**
- do not **GO BACK**
- you Must **PERSEVERE**

Because of ALL the STUNNING Truths about Jesus OUR Savior and High Priest

- > He Gave Himself ONCE for all as a FINAL sacrifice for OUR sins**
- > He Perfects us forever by ONE SACRIFICE**
- > He Gives us a clean CONSCIENCE by His OWN blood**
- > He is OUR Sympathetic - Approachable high priest**
- > He is ALWAYS INTERCEDING for us in heaven**
- > He Promised NEVER to leave us or forsake us**

FAITH Believes / Trusts

- God **IS** who He says He **IS**
- God will **DO** what He says He **will DO**

FAITH produces **HOPE**,
and **HOPE** produces
PERSEVERANCE.

Without **FAITH** one will inevitably
shrink back
and **NOT persevere.**

**The life of FAITH is the
ONLY life
that PLEASES God.**

Hebrews 10:34- (NLT)

You suffered along with those who were thrown into jail, and **when ALL YOU OWNED was TAKEN** from you, you **ACCEPTED** it with joy.

You KNEW there were better things waiting for you that will last FOREVER.

Hebrews 10:35-36 (NLT)

So do not throw away this CONFIDENT TRUST in the Lord. Remember the great reward it brings you! [36] **PATIENT ENDURANCE** is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God's will. Then you will receive all that he has promised.

Romans 1:20 (NIV)

For since the creation of the world

God's invisible qualities

- his eternal power and divine nature -

have been clearly seen,

being **UNDERSTOOD**

from what has been made,

so that men are without excuse.

**Eyesight produces a conviction
about objects in the physical world.**

**FAITH produces the
same CONVICTIONS
for the invisible order.**

John 1:3 (NIV)

Through HIM

ALL things were MADE;

without HIM

**NOTHING was made
that has been made.**

Colossians 1:15-17 (NIV)

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

[16] For by him ALL things were CREATED:
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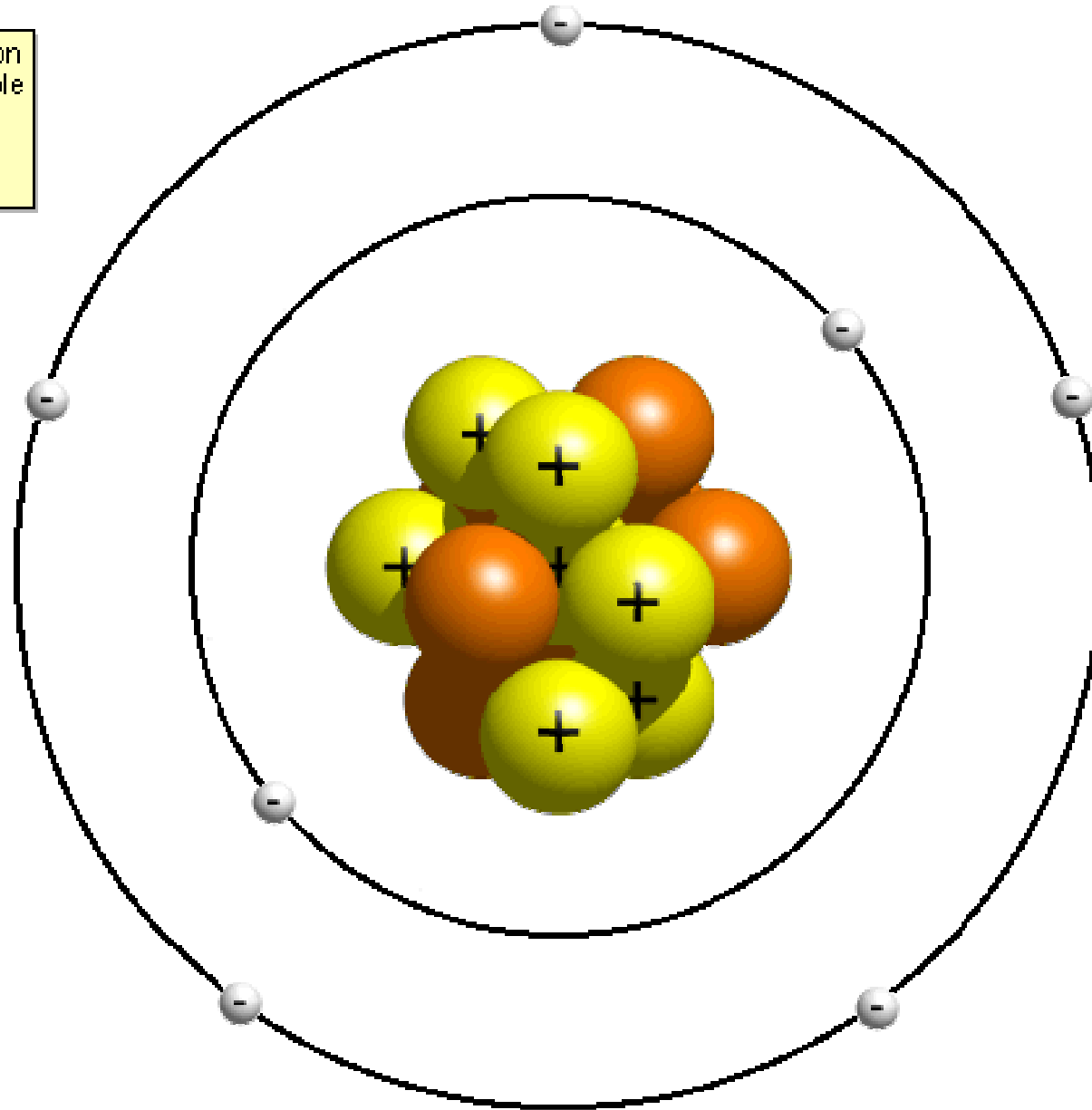
heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; **ALL things were created BY him and FOR HIM.**

[17] He is before all things, and IN HIM ALL things HOLD TOGETHER.

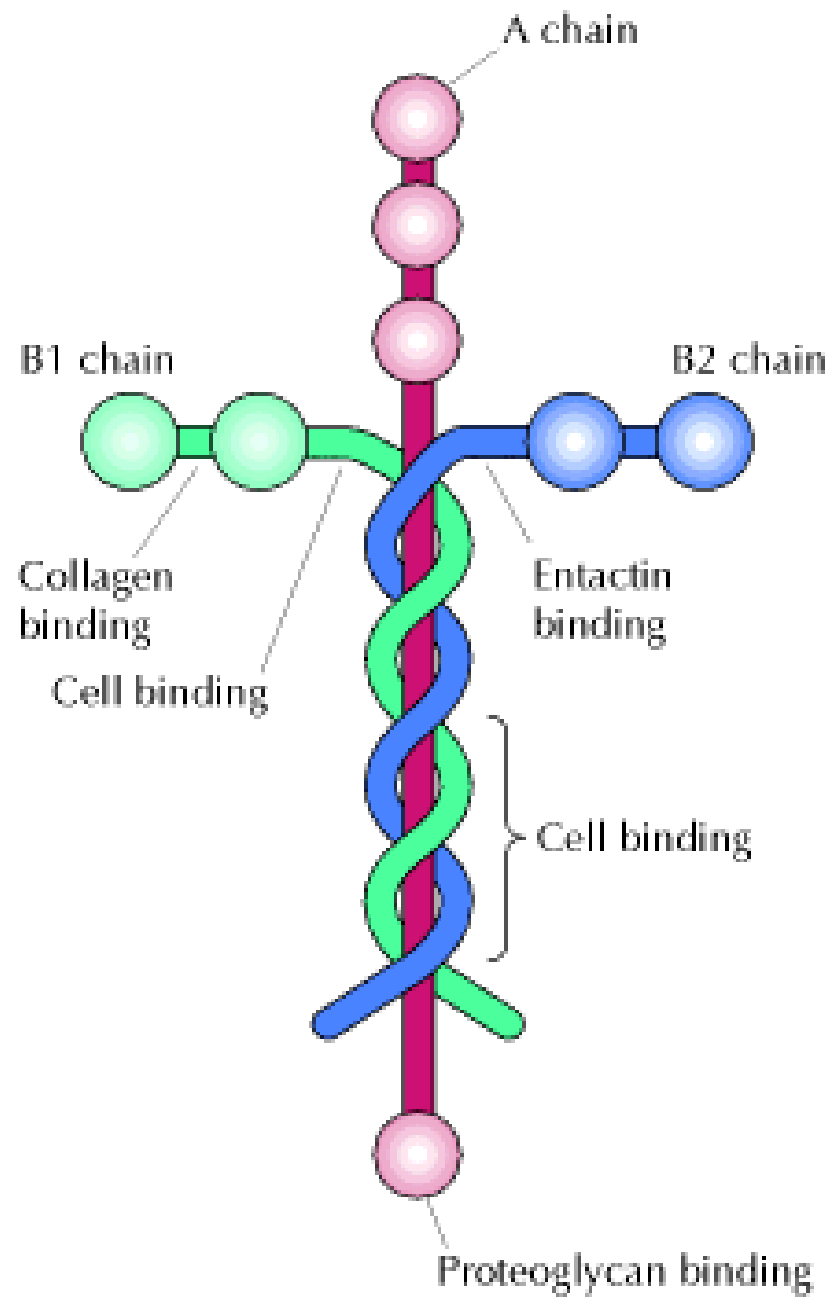
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2 Corinthians 12:10 (NIV)

...for Christ's sake,

I DELIGHT in weaknesses,

in insults, in hardships,

in persecutions, in difficulties.

For when I am weak, then I am strong.

2 Corinthians 12:7-9 (NIV)

To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me **a thorn in my flesh**, a messenger of Satan, **to TORMENT** me. [8] Three times

I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me.

[9] But he said to me, "**MY GRACE** is **SUFFICIENT** for **YOU**, for my power is made **perfect in weakness.**" Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that **Christ's POWER** may rest on me.

2 Corinthians 12:10 (NIV)

That is why **for Christ's sake,**

I DELIGHT

in weaknesses, in insults,

in hardships, in persecutions,

in difficulties.

For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Hebrews 4:16 (NIV)

Let us then **APPROACH**
the throne of grace with **confidence**,
so that we may **RECEIVE MERCY**
and **FIND GRACE**
to **HELP US** in our time of need.

Faith is Believing...

- God is **WHO** He says He IS
- God can do **WHAT** He **SAYS** He can Do
- I am **WHO** God **SAYS** I am
- I can do **ALL** things **THROUGH** Christ
- God's Word is **ALIVE** and **ACTIVE**
in me

QUESTIONS

1. Why is it so easy for us to take our eyes off of Jesus?
2. What is the best way to turn our FOCUS back to the Lord?
3. In what Practical ways can we KEEP our Eyes on Jesus?