



Citizen | Week 1
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BIG IDEA: MY *HOMELAND* DETERMINES WHERE MY *HEART* LANDS!

Hebrews 11:1 (NLT)

Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see.

DEFINITION OF FAITH:

True biblical faith is not an emotional kind of wishful thinking. It is an inner conviction based on the Word of God.

“FAITH enables the believing soul to treat the FUTURE as present and the invisible as SEEN.” - Oswald Sanders

Hebrews 11:13 (NLT)

¹³ All these people died still believing what God had promised them. They did not receive what was promised, but they saw it all from a distance and welcomed it. They agreed that they were foreigners and nomads here on earth.

“If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another world.”

- C.S. Lewis ~ *Mere Christianity*

Hebrews 11:14-16 (NLT)

¹⁴ Obviously people who say such things are looking forward to a country they can call their own. ¹⁵ If they had longed for the country they came from, they could have gone back. ¹⁶ But they were looking for a better place, a heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

MY *FUTURE* DESTINATION DECIDES MY *PRESENT* DETERMINATION.

Philippians 3:17-21 (NLT)

¹⁷ Dear brothers and sisters, pattern your lives after mine, and learn from those who follow our example. ¹⁸ For I have told you often before, and I say it again with tears in



my eyes, that there are many whose conduct shows they are really enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹ They are headed for destruction. Their god is their appetite, they brag about shameful things, and they think only about this life here on earth. ²⁰ But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior. ²¹ He will take our weak mortal bodies and change them into glorious bodies like his own, using the same power with which he will bring everything under his control.

DECIDE WHERE MY HOME LANDS.

Psalm 139:23-24 (NLT)

²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my anxious thoughts.

²⁴ Point out anything in me that offends you,
and lead me along the path of everlasting life.