



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)**

<sup>13</sup> 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)**

<sup>14</sup> Obviously people who say such things are looking forward to a country they can call their own. <sup>15</sup> If they had longed for the country they came from, they could have gone back. <sup>16</sup> 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)**

<sup>17</sup> Dear brothers and sisters, pattern your lives after mine, and learn from those who follow our example. <sup>18</sup> 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. <sup>19</sup> 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. <sup>20</sup> But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives. And we are eagerly waiting for him to return as our Savior. <sup>21</sup> 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)**

<sup>23</sup> Search me, O God, and know my heart;  
test me and know my anxious thoughts.

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