Faith in God
Heb. 11:6

Introduction:
A. God cannot be pleased without Bible faith (Heb. 11:6)
   1. Enoch pleased God and was rewarded for his faith (Heb. 11:5, 6)
   2. Israel displeased God and was cursed for their unbelief (1 Cor. 10:5; Heb. 3:17-19)
   3. Faith in God is the only reasonable and hopeful course of life.
B. Our text demands faith in three attributes of God.

Discussion:
I. We must Believe That God Is.
   A. “God is” suggests the ever-living God
      1. The I AM (Mk. 12:26-27; John 8:58)
      2. “Living God” 30 times in Bible (cf. Matt. 16:16; 1 Pet 3:15)
   B. “God is” is far more reasonable than “God is not.” (Cf. Psa. 14:1; Rom. 1:22)
      1. The Atheist must accept either total non-existence or the eternity of matter.
      2. The Atheist must accept origin with an originator, order without orderer (cf. Watch)
      3. The Atheist must ignore the marvelous nature of the Bible.

II. We must Believe That God Rewards.
   A. God has shown He is willing and able to reward man (The cloud of witnesses - Heb. 12:1; 11-40)
   B. God has promised rewards worthy of our desire.
      1. The remission of sins (Matt. 26:28; Rev. 21:27)
      2. The glorious resurrection (1 Cor. 15:42-44)
      3. The abundant entrance into eternal life (2 Pet. 1:11; 1 John 2:25; Rev. 21:3-4)

III. We must Believe That God Requires.
   A. God promises rewards to “them that diligently seek him”
      1. To seek is to serve (cf. Matt. 6:33).
      2. To seek is to obey (Examples in Heb. 11)
   B. God attaches conditions to the promised rewards.
      1. The remission of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16; 8:22)
      2. The glorious resurrection (John 5:28, 29; 1 Cor. 15:57-48)
      3. The eternal life (Heb. 5:8, 9; Rev. 2:10; 14:12, 13)

Conclusion:
A. Is the God of Heb. 11:6 the God you believe in – that He is, rewards and requires.
B. Do you want to please God today? Put your faith to work (Gal. 5:6; Jas. 2:18)