Core Value #7 Achieving God's Purposes Involves Taking Faith-Filled Risks. This Always Requires Change, Take 2 Hebrews 1:1-6

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Sermon Sketch: No one really likes change, but change is a vital component of a healthy life. God calls each of us on a pilgrimage of faith – we are to follow wherever the Spirit leads.

- How has the Holy Spirit been empowering your life and ministry in this past week? (Core Value #6 – Without the Empowerment of the Holy Spirit We Can Accomplish Nothing, 11/19/23)
- 2) Hebrews 11 is often referred to as the "Hall of Faith", as it lists the heroes who have gone before us. Who, of the people you know personally, would you nominate for inclusion in the "Hall" because of the faith-filled life they live? What figure from Church History (from the end of the New Testament era to now) is an example to you of a faith-filled life?
- 3) Many of us tend to be "risk adverse". How does last week's Core Value about the empowerment of the Holy Spirit connect to this week's value of taking faith-filled risks?
- 4) How does the reality that God never changes (Numbers 23:19, 1 Samuel 15:29 Malachi 3:6, James 1:17) give you confidence to face change in

- your own life, as the world around you is constantly changing?
- 5) How do you balance the verses which encourage caution (Proverbs 15:22, 21:5, Matthew10:16) with those that encourage you to go "all in" for the Lord (Luke 14:25-33, Matthew 13:45-46)?
- 6) What does going "all in" look like for you at this juncture of your life?
- 7) How can your willingness to go "all in" for Jesus become a catalyst for change in the lives of those around you?
- 8) What part of this series on the Core Values has been especially meaningful for you? Is the laminated summary card somewhere where you will see it often and think of it (wallet, purse, Bible)?

