

the heirs ~~nk~~ with him of the same promise: For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God. Through faith also Sara herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised. Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, so many as ~~xx~~ the stars of the sky in multitude, ~~ans~~ ~~ax~~ and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable. These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For they ~~x~~ that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have ~~x~~ had opportunity to have returned. But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for He hath prepared for them a city. This is faith . . . faith is the substance of things ~~sh~~ hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Many people have the idea that faith is simply credulity. You just ~~beie-~~ believe a thing and believe it strong enough and you have faith. That is not faith at all. I ~~had~~ heard not so long ago about a person who ~~want~~ to a healing service. This person had a ~~een~~ cancer on the face. And he was told that if he had faith he could be cured of this cancer. You just have to have faith and you will be cured of it. And so the person set to ~~α~~ work to ~~cō~~nvince himself that he was being cured of the cancer. Someone went to see him some time later and he would hardly let them into the house. The cancer had grown so big, it was awful. It ~~een~~ covered the whole face--there was a stin~~ch~~ from it. He said I just don't have enough~~x~~ faith. I must have more faith. That is ~~now-~~ not what faith is. That is credulity. Faith is not simply believing something. Faith is believing something that is based