Northwest Bible Church – Jan. 2, 2011 – Worship Service - Alan Conner

**Heb. 11:32-40**

*Victorious Faith*

*Intro*

**A. GREAT ACTIONS OF VICTORIOUS FAITH (vv. 33-35a).**

“conquered kingdoms” –

“performed acts of righteousness” –

“obtained promises” –

“shut the mouths of lions” -

“quenched the power of fire” –

“escaped the edge of the sword” –

“from weakness were made strong” –

“became mighty in war” -

“put foreign armies to flight” -

“women received back their dead by resurrection” -

**B. GREAT AFFLICTIONS OF VICTORIOUS FAITH (vv. 35b-38).**

1) Their afflictions (vv. 35-38).

v. 35 - “tortured not accepting their release so that they might obtain a better resurrection” -

v. 36 – mockings, scourgings, chains, imprisonment -

v. 37 – stoned, sawn in two, death by sword -

v. 38 - Wandering in deserts, mountains, caves, holes –

2) Their assurance (vv. 35b, 40).

a) better resurrection (v. 35b).

b) “God has provided something better for us” (v. 40).

3) Their assessment (vv. 38-39).

a) “of whom the world was not worthy” –

b) “gained approval through their faith” (11:2, 39).

*Conclusion*