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Hebrews Running With Endurance

Jesus is Absolutely Supreme!

Hebrews 12:1

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

Hebrews 11:1

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.

Faith: An active trust demonstrated by obedience

Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us

Endurance—perseverance— ὑπομονῆς –meno—remain, stay

Race— ἀγῶνα—we get the word «agony» from it. (pain face)

- 1. Be encouraged by others who have finished.**
- 2. Drop the baggage.**
- 3. Deal with clinging sin.**
- 4. Focus. Refocus. Focus. Refocus.**

Hebrews 12:2-3

looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

5. Embrace God's training program.

Hebrews 12:4-6

In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

*“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord,
nor be weary when reprovved by him.
For the Lord disciplines the one he loves,
and chastises every son whom he receives.”*

Hebrews 12:8-11

If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Hebrews 12:2

looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

- **He endured the cross.**
- **Scorned the shame of the cross.**
- **Sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.**

Hebrews 12:3

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.