

Hall of Fame of Faith

Hebrews 12:1-3

Part 16

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THEREFORE:

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses...

NOW IT IS OUR TURN!

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TO LIVE BY FAITH ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE, WE MUST DO SOME LOOKING!

WE MUST LOOK TO JESUS...

- He not only offers us the only perfect example...
- He imparts the exact help that we need!

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Hebrews 2:18

For because He himself has suffered when tempted, He is able to help those who are being tempted.

Hebrews 4:16

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

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Hebrews 12: 1- 3 – Outline

- 1 12: 1a: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses.
- 2 12: 1b: Let us also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely...
- 3 12: 1c: ...and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.

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Hebrews 12: 1- 3 – Outline

- 4 12: 2-3: ²looking 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.

³Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

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TO RUN THIS FAITH MARATHON...

- 12: 1b shows us what we must put off, lay aside or reject

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Hebrews 12:1b

Let us also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely...

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TO RUN THIS FAITH MARATHON...

- 12: 1b shows us what we must put off, lay aside or reject
- 12: 1c shows us how we must run

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Hebrews 12:1c

...and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us...

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Hebrews 10:35-36

³⁵ Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. ³⁶ For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised.

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TO RUN THIS FAITH MARATHON...

- 12: 1b shows us what we must put off, lay aside or reject
- 12: 1c shows us how we must run
- 12: 2-3 shows us the One we need to keep our eyes on
We must think of Him always & consider what He went through...

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Hebrews 12:2-3

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.

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A. What we must put off, lay aside or reject (12:1b)

- weights
- sin

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B. How we need to run (12:1c)

- We are called to run with endurance so we can remain under the hard times
- Remember: faith that starts you in the race, but does not continue & finish, may not be real faith at all.

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C. Jesus is the One we must always keep our eyes upon (12:1c)

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