



Be Revived; Get Back in the Race

Hebrews 12:12-17

- 1) The Christian life is a race of faith to the finish—birth to death (12:1)
- 2) The race can be agonizing, replete with pitfalls (1-3)
- 3) God disciplines those He loves; leaves all others to themselves (4-11)
- 4) Some have taken a break from the race and need to re-engage (12-17)
 - a) Assess & strengthen your weaknesses (12-13)
 - b) Pursue peace w/ those with whom you are at odds (14; cf. Rom. 12:18)
 - c) God's grace grants you forgiveness; you too must forgive (15)
 - d) All sexual sins must be terminated (16a)
 - e) Godlessness must be repented of (16b)
 - i) Prioritizing worldly matters over Christian matters
 - ii) Looking out for number one rather than living for God's glory
- 5) In His grace, God allows us to repent today; no guarantee of tomorrow (17)