



Series

Hebrews Series

Title

Endurance Race

Big Idea:

When we decide to follow Jesus it isn't a stroll on the beach but a grueling, challenging race that calls us endure and to keep our eyes on the Prize- Jesus.

Bible Discussion

Read Hebrews 11:36-40

How does it make you feel knowing that people lost their status, things and even their lives because of their faith in the God of Israel?

Two thousand years later how does persecution look today? Describe your view on persecution and how impacts your view of the world and Christianity.

Read Hebrews 12:1-2

Why do you think the writer of Hebrews uses this illustration of a race when talking about our spiritual journeys with Christ?

Is there a sin that currently "clinging" to you? Or is there one that you have had to physically remove from your life because it was slowing you down?

What should be our focus in the midst of this endurance race? Why do you think this helps us?

Read Hebrews 12:11

Do you agree with the statement that discipline comes out of a place of love? Why or Why not?

How have you seen the guidance of the Father in your past spare you from pain in the future?

Read Hebrews 12:12-15

Are Christians known for striving for peace or causing division? Explain your answer?

Why is striving for peace with everyone a key part of this discussion of running an endurance race?

Growing in Christ

What is Jesus revealing about himself to you in Hebrews 12?

What means do we have to help us in this endurance race to pursue Christ?

In the midst of the race, why do we strive to create enemies than strive for peace?

Living as a Family

Why is the "cloud of witnesses" such an important part of our endurance race?

How does being a part of a Gospel Community help in this endurance race when you get tired or frustrated?

How are you helping point people to Jesus as you run?

Sharing the Gospel

Why do you think the author talked about striving to keep peace with everyone during an endurance race?

How does it impact those who aren't Christ followers to see us keep running even when it can be really hard?