

A Closer Walk

Let Us Run

Hebrews 12:1-3 “Therefore, since **we** are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let **us** strip off every weight that slows **us** down, especially the sin that so easily trips **us** up. And let **us** run with endurance the race God has set before **us**. **We** do this by keeping **our** eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects **our** faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God’s throne. Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won’t become weary and give up.”

Hebrews 11:2 “Through their faith, the people in days of old earned a good reputation.”

Hebrews 11:29-30 “It was by faith that **the people** of Israel went right through the Red Sea as though they were on dry ground. But when the Egyptians tried to follow, they were all drowned. It was by faith that the people of Israel marched around Jericho for seven days, and the walls came crashing down.”

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Remove _____ Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, **let us strip off every weight that slows us down**, especially the sin that so easily trips us up.” (v.1)

Get Rid of Sin and the Former Way of Life

Ephesians 4:22 “...throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception.”

Run With _____ “And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us.” (v.1b)

Hebrews 10:36 “Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God’s will. Then you will receive all that he has promised.”

Hebrews 6:18 “So God has given both his promise and his oath. These two things are unchangeable because it is impossible for God to lie. Therefore, we who have fled to him for refuge can have great confidence as we hold to the hope that lies before us.”

Keep Our Eyes on _____ “We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith.” (v.2a)