

Starting Lines

Never Quit

Hebrews 12:1-3 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Run with **our heroes watching**

v. 1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses....

Hebrews 11:39-40 These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

Run with **a light load**

v. 1let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles.

Run with **staying power**

v. 2 And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us....

Three Obstacles:

Weights

Wickedness

Weariness

Run with **eyes fixed on the Finisher**

v. 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

Philippians 1:6 being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Run with **joy for the final result**

v. 2-3 For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

2 Corinthians 4:17 For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all.

Additional Study

Monday	Romans 8:18-30
Tuesday	Romans 5:1-11
Wednesday	Romans 15:1-6
Thursday	2 Peter 3:1-11
Friday	James 1:2-4 and James 1:12