

Throw Off
Series: Faith That Endures

Text: *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.* Hebrews 12:1-3

The theme of Hebrews is: Jesus is superior/supreme/better than anything.

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Three common weights:

- 1) **Stress**
- 2) **Religion**
- 3) **Sin Struggles**

Intensely resist your sin: *In your struggle against sin you've not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.* Hebrews 12:4

Sin will separate you from God and then blame God for the separation.

When I was silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand (he says to God) was heavy upon me, and my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Psalm 32:3-4

The specific sin that so easily entangles...unbelief.

Do you believe that Jesus is better...?