

# Faith Baptist Church – Greenfield, IN

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## Sermon Outline: Running the Race of Faith

**Text: Hebrews 12:1–2**

### Introduction:

The Christian life is not a sprint, but a marathon. God calls every believer to run the race of faith with endurance, casting off distractions and fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith.

### 1. Run Inspired by the Witnesses (v.1a)

We are surrounded by a cloud of witnesses who remind us that faith works. Their lives encourage us to press on.

- Remember those who've gone before you.
- Their testimony says: 'Keep running!'

### 2. Run Unhindered by the Weights (v.1b)

Lay aside every weight and sin that entangles. You can't run well carrying baggage.

- Some weights aren't sinful — just distractions.
- The Christian who runs light runs long.

### 3. Run Focused on Christ (v.2)

Fix your eyes on Jesus — the One who started your faith and will finish it.

- Don't look around or behind — look up.
- Jesus is the finish line — and the prize.

### Conclusion:

The race is long, but you are not alone. Run with endurance, keep your eyes on Jesus, and finish well. He ran before you, runs beside you, and will greet you at the finish line.

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