

Hebrews 12:1

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I. Wherefore. Hebrews 12:1

- A. All the faithful. Hebrews 11:1-40
 - 1. Able, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Sara, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses' parents, Moses, Joshua, Rahab, Gedeon, Barak, Samson, Jephthae, David, Samuel and the prophets

II. A cloud of witnesses. Hebrews 12:1

- A. Compassed. Hebrews 12:1
 - 1. There is no place we can go to without being witnessed (seen).
- C. Where are these witnesses? Hebrews 12:1
 - 1. In the cloud of God.
 - a. A cloud stayed with Israel for 40 years and lead them through the wilderness. Exodus 40:38
 - b. The cloud of the mercy seat. Leviticus 16:2
 - c. Jesus ascended to Heaven in a cloud. Acts 1:9
 - d. Jesus will return the second time to earth in a cloud. Revelation 1:7
 - 2. This cloud would be in Heaven. Hebrews 12:1
- B. Can those in Heaven see us on earth or do they just hear the report?
 - 1. Rejoicing over a lost soul saved! Luke 15:7
 - 2. Abraham saw the day of Jesus and was glad. John 8:56
 - a. Did Abraham see the day of Jesus by faith only?
 - 1) Abraham saw virgin birth of Jesus in the birth of Isaac.
 - 2) Abraham saw Jesus crucified and raised by the sacrifice of Isaac. Hebrews 11:17-19
 - b. The Jews argued that Abraham was dead. John 8:52-53
 - c. Jesus had taught them that Abraham was alive. Matthew 22:32
 - d. Abraham saw the day of Jesus and was glad. John 8:56-58

III. Now run the race of faith. Hebrews 12:1

- A. Run to win. 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
- B. Run according to the rules. 2 Timothy 2:5

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