



Hebrews 12:9-17

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- I. Wherefore. Hebrews 12:1
- II. A cloud of witnesses. Hebrews 12:1
- III. Now run the race of faith. Hebrews 12:1
- IV. What are the rules of the race? Hebrews 12:1-13:18
 - A. Lay aside every weight and sin. Hebrews 12:1
 - B. Run with patience. Hebrews 12:1
 - C. Run God's race. Hebrews 12:1
 - D. Keep your eye on Jesus. Hebrews 12:2
 - E. Follow the example of Jesus Hebrews 12:2-3
 - F. Accept corrections. Hebrews 12:4-11
 - 1. Yet ... get ready for a difficult and hard race. Hebrews 12:4
 - 2. Remember your training by God. Hebrews 12:5
 - 3. God wants you to be the best. Hebrews 12:6
 - 4. God wants you to partake of his holiness. Hebrews 12:9-11
 - a. Partakers of the divine nature. 2 Peter 1:4
 - b. That you might be strengthened. 1 Peter 5:10
 - c. That you might have patience. Romans 5:3-5
 - d. That the power may be of God. 2 Corinthians 4:7-18
 - G. Be strong and healthy. Hebrews 12:12-13
 - 1. Wait upon the Lord. Isaiah 40:31
 - a. To serve the Lord, not wait for the Lord to do something.

H. Be peacemakers. Hebrews 12:14

1. Blessed are the peacemakers. Matthew 5:9
2. Follow after the things which make peace. Ro. 14:19

I. Be watchful and not backslide. Hebrews 12:15-17

1. Looking diligently. Hebrews 12:15

- a. Take the race very seriously.

2. Lest any man fail. Hebrews 12:15

- a. Not fall from, but fail, come short of.

3. Grace of God. Hebrews 12:15

- a. Christian virtues that which affords joy, pleasure, delight, sweetness, charm, loveliness, good will, loving-kindness, favour.

4. If you fail (come short) of the grace of God then:

a. You could become bitter. Hebrews 12:15

- 1) A tongue of bitterness. James 3:8-18

b. You could be troubled. Hebrews 12:15

- 1) Slow to believe. Luke 24:36-39

c. You could be defiled. Hebrews 12:15

- 1) Your mind and conscience defiled. Titus 1:14-16

d. You could be a fornicator. Hebrews 12:16

- 1) As Sodom and Gomorrha. Jude 1:7

e. You could be a profane person. Hebrews 12:16

- 1) Show no difference between the unclean and clean. Ezekiel 22:26
- 2) An example is Esau. Hebrews 12:16

- a) He found no place of repentance. Hebrews 12:17