

Jesus is better!
Hebrews 12:1-3

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) 12:1 In a race, the lack of desire to win is unacceptable.
- 2) 12:1 We are not in competition against other Christians.
- 3) 12:1 The strength we need is not in ourselves, but is in the Holy Spirit.
- 4) 12:1 The Old Testament saints ran with so much less light than we have; yet they crossed the line as victors.
- 5) 12:1 These are witnesses to God of His faithfulness, standing as examples of what He did through them.
- 6) 12:1 We have the same God. He can and will do the same things through us, if we trust Him.
- 7) 12:1 We need to get rid of anything that weighs us down, diverts our attention, saps our energy, and dampens our enthusiasm for the things of God.
- 8) 12:1 Sin is an obstacle in our paths, keeping us from living for Christ.
- 9) 12:2 Since Christ is the “author and finisher of our faith,” trusting Him releases His power in our lives.
- 10) 12:2 Run this race with eyes for nothing except Jesus.
- 11) 12:2 Jesus thought so little of the shame involved with the cross that He did not bother to avoid it.
- 12) 12:2 Jesus’ work accomplished exactly what it was meant to accomplish.
- 13) 12:2 As Christ-followers, what prize do we run for?
 - We run for the joy of exaltation.
 - We run for the glory of God.

14) 12:2 When we run we anticipate the heavenly reward and the joy that can be ours now.

15) 12:3 During His time on earth, Jesus did not use His powers for His own personal needs. It was our Lord’s faith that enabled Him to endure.

GREEK WORDS

Hypomonē—endurance; steady determination to keep going
 Agōn (ag-one)—a contest; figurative - an effort, conflict :- contention, fight, race (athletic contest)

Onkos—encumbrance; a bulk or mass of something

Aphoraō—“...to look away from all else, fix one’s gaze upon”

Analogizomai (an-al-og-id'-zom-ahee)—consider, to estimate, contemplate :- calculate

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