

Sermon Questions

Hebrews 12:1-3

This week we addressed the need to be faithful finishers for the Lord Jesus Christ. Right after the author spends an entire chapter discussing those who died in faith he tells us the reason he was addressing them. The reason is so that we know we have a great cloud of witnesses who have gone before us and if they can finish faithfully, then so can we. In the church today we need more men and women who live lives of faith that are examples of the Lord Jesus Christ. Christ desires to live his life through each and every one of us and this passage teaches us how to persevere in faith all the way until we meet Jesus. May this message and these questions help you understand how you can be strong to the finish.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Faithful Finishers

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Faithful finishers...

Follow faithful examples (1a)

Eliminate all hinderances (1b)

Don't ever quit (1c)

Focus on Jesus (2-3)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it [HERE](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email info@bravechurch.online and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. What is a great cloud of witnesses? What does it mean to bear witness to Christ? Who are some of the faithful examples that the author has discussed in chapter 11? Why should we follow their example?
2. Who are some faithful examples throughout church history that have been impactful for you? Who are some modern day faithful examples that have been helpful to your journey with Christ? How hard are you searching for a Christian mentor? How hard are you looking to be a Christian mentor?

3. Why does God want us to model Christianity? Why is it necessary for Christians to demonstrate their faith as well as proclaim it?
4. Why is understanding and living under the authority of God's Word so important? What has happened to our culture as a result of not trusting in the authority of God's Word? What has happened to our churches as a result of not trusting in the authority of God's Word? What are some of the lies you hear as to why you can't live a distinct Christian lifestyle?
5. What does it mean to eliminate all hinderances? Why do Christians ask, "Is it okay to be a Christian and still _____?" Why is the question, "Will this decision help me to become my best for Christ?" a better question? How can you apply this question right now to an area of your life?
6. What sins or habits have you excused in your life? Why do you need to repent and ask for God's help? How is that sin or habit keeping you from being God's best?
7. How does narcissism (me/myself/I) quench God's goodness? How does unforgiveness hinder God's goodness? How does unbelief prevent God's goodness? How do you need to begin to focus more on others? Who do you need to forgive and why? What do you need to trust God for right now?
8. How can you stop, drop and roll? Stop living with bitterness, hurt and resentment? Drop the offense? Roll all your anxieties on the Lord?
9. What does it mean to persevere or endure? Where have you been pushed down? Why do you need to get back up? Has there ever been any Christian who has not fallen? Then why do you beat yourself up?
10. Is there any sin that can disqualify you from God's plan for your life? Then what do you need to repent of so that you can keep running? Why would the enemy lie to you and tell you that you are disqualified? Could it be because God has such a big calling on your life?
11. How can you focus more on Jesus Christ in your life? How is Jesus the author and perfecter of your faith? What does it mean to be enthralled with the beauty and majesty of Christ?
12. How does considering what Jesus Christ endured help you in your race? How does understanding the cross of Christ help you to endure?
13. What is your greatest take-a-way from this week's message? What do you need to apply right now in your life?