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Hebrews 12:1-4

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Hebrews 12:1-4 (ESV)

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

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Hebrews 12:1-4 (ESV)

²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:1-4 (ESV)

³Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

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⁴In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.

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**1: Look Back to Those Who Have
Already Finished Well (vs. 1)**

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Hebrews 11:30-35 (ESV)

³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days.

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³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

Hebrews 11:30-35 (ESV)

³²And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—

Hebrews 11:30-35 (ESV)

³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

Hebrews 11:30-35 (ESV)

³⁴quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.

Hebrews 11:30-35 (ESV)

³⁵Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life.

Romans 15:4 (ESV)

⁴For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.

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James 5:10-11 (ESV)

¹⁰As an example of suffering and patience, brothers, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

James 5:10-11 (ESV)

¹¹Behold, we consider those blessed who remained steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful.



2: Keep Fighting Indwelling Sin (vs. 1)

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a) Ask for Help
Matthew 6:13

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Matthew 6:13 (ESV)

¹³And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.

**b) Seek to be Satisfied with God, Rather than
Settling for Sin - Matthew 5:6**

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Matthew 5:6 (ESV)

⁶“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.



c) Commit to a Holy Community
Hebrews 12:-13

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Hebrews 3:12-13 (ESV)

¹²Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God.

Hebrews 3:12-13 (ESV)

¹³But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.



Wield the Sword of the Spirit
Ephesians 6:17

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Ephesians 6:17 (ESV)

¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God,

3: Keep Looking to Jesus (vss. 2-4)

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Hebrews 12:2-4 (ESV)

²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Hebrews 12:2-4 (ESV)

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Hebrews 2:10 (ESV)

¹⁰For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering.

2 Corinthians 4:17-18 (ESV)

¹⁷For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison,

2 Corinthians 4:17-18 (ESV)

¹⁸as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.



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