



## Discipline — How God Trains Us

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Hebrews 12:3-11

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### What we have learned so far in our study ...

- The Theme of the Book - Jesus is "Better" ...
- The Outline of the Book of Hebrews ...

**A Better Person: Jesus** (1-6)

**A Better Priest: Jesus** (7-10)

**A Better Principle: Faith** (11-13)

The People of Faith (11)

The Perseverance of Faith (12)

Run the Race - Looking to Jesus vs. 1-2

### What we are going to learn today in our study ...

Hebrews 12:3-11

The Picture — It changes from a race (vs. 1-2) to that of a \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. vs. 5,7,8,9).

The Purpose — To focus our attention on \_\_\_\_\_. (cf. vs. 5,6,7,8,9,10,11).

*When you think of discipline, what do you think of?*

It is the result of something we've done \_\_\_\_\_, and God is \_\_\_\_\_ us (preventive discipline).

Hebrews 12 wants us to think of discipline as God's \_\_\_\_\_ for us as His child, and He is using it to \_\_\_\_\_ us (educational discipline).

## LESSON - Discipline: How God Trains Us 12:3-11

### I. THE CONCEPT OF DISCIPLINE (Hardships/Trials) — What is it?

Sometimes trials/hardships are the result of \_\_\_\_\_ you. vs. 3-4

- The Example v. 3a

*"For consider Him (Jesus) who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, ..."*

- The Emphasis v. 3b-4

*"... so that you will not grow weary and lose heart."*

*"You have not resisted to the point of shedding blood in your striving against sin; ..."*

**The Point** — Others want to \_\_\_\_\_ you.

Sometimes trials/hardships are the result of \_\_\_\_\_ for you. vs. 5-11

- The Examples

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_ (Genesis 50:20)
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Corinthians 12:7)
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 22:31-32)

- The Emphasis vs. 5-11

*"The discipline of the Lord" v. 5, "Whom the Lord loves He disciplines" v. 6*

*"...God deals with you..." v. 7*

*"... shall we not be subject to the Father of spirits, ..." v. 9*

*"He disciplines us for our good, so that we may share His holiness ..." v. 10*

**The Point** — Though others want to destroy you, God wants to \_\_\_\_\_ you (training, not judgment).

### II. THE COMPONENTS OF DISCIPLINE (Hardships/Trials) — What is it like?

Discipline is the \_\_\_\_\_ of our sonship. vs. 5-8

Discipline, done by God, is always \_\_\_\_\_. vs. 9-10

Discipline, though painful, is always \_\_\_\_\_. v. 11

**Application** — How is God applying this passage to your life?