

\_\_\_\_\_ for our Race of Faith



**The Race of Faith**  
Hebrews 12:1-4  
Sunday, April 24, 2022

1. Run with endurance because the race is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Remember that \_\_\_\_\_ have run the race before us.
3. Look for and lay aside \_\_\_\_\_ that slows us down.
4. Look for and lay aside \_\_\_\_\_ that trips us up.
5. Remember God has \_\_\_\_\_ our race before us.

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*Do you ever stop and wonder what life is all about? Hebrews 12:1-4 reminds us that for the Christian, life is a "race of faith." It's a rich and full picture that can help us make sense of our lives in this crazy, broken world.*

**The \_\_\_\_\_ of our Race of Faith**

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**NEXT STEPS:** Applying God's Word together

As you run your race of faith this week, take some time to pause and ponder:

- Where are you looking?
- How are you running?
- What is weighing you down and/or tripping you up?

**The \_\_\_\_\_ of our Race of Faith**

- Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ of our faith.  
He is who we're running \_\_\_\_\_.
- Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ for our faith.  
He ran \_\_\_\_\_ us. He is running \_\_\_\_\_ us.
- Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ of our faith.  
He ran \_\_\_\_\_ us.

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**NEXT WEEK:**

*Running the Race of Faith as Loved Children | Hebrews 12:5-11*



HEBREWS

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*Growth Groups are the glue that holds our church together, the way we find and follow Jesus together. If you are not involved in a Growth Group, now is the perfect time to jump in at [gracecentralcoast.org/groups](https://gracecentralcoast.org/groups)*

**CONNECT** *(ask these questions to check-in with your group)*

Take some time to share highs and lows from the last week.

**DISCUSS** *(use some of these questions to process God's Word together)*

1. Read Hebrews 11:29-12:4 together as a group. How did you "come under" God's Word and the message this week? What did you learn? What were the takeaways?
2. Share your experience with running. Are you a runner? When was the last time you ran? Does this running picture in Hebrews 12 resonate with you?
3. When you think about life, how do you think about it and understand it? Is the "race of faith" one way you think about life? Why is this metaphor helpful and powerful?

4. How many implicit and explicit references to "endurance" can you find in Hebrews 12:1-4?
5. How can good things in life weigh us down and slow us down in our race of faith? Can you share an instance from your own life?
6. How does sin trip us up? Can you share an instance from your own life?
7. Which of the "5 encouragements for the race of faith" is most timely and helpful for you? Why?

**PRAY** *(use these prompts to pray in response to God's Word)*

- Share the circumstances of your race of faith and then pray for one another.
- Pray for the family of Grace as we run our races of faith together.