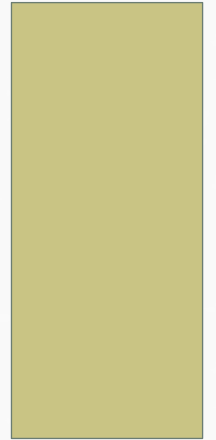
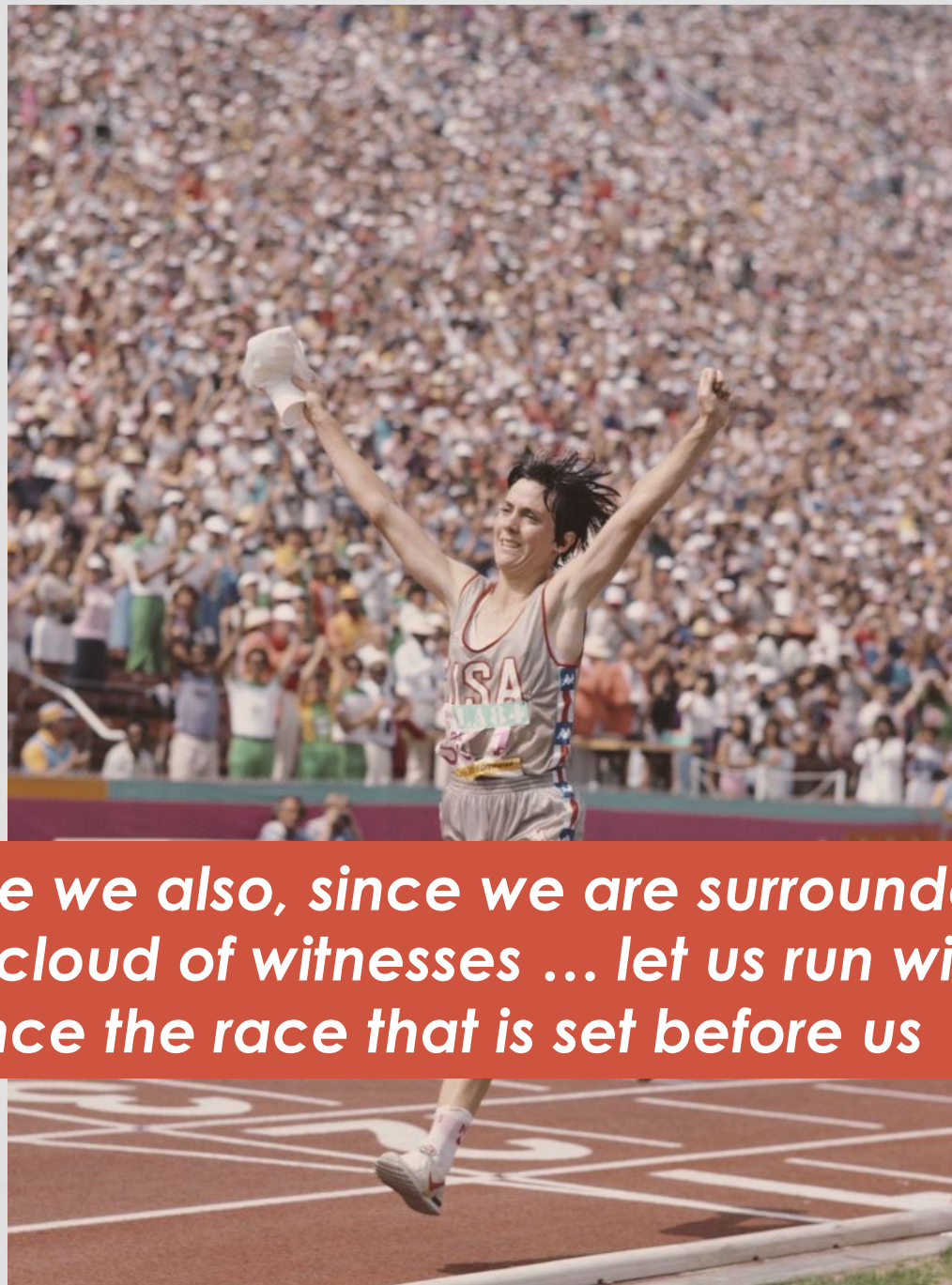


THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

– CHAPTER 12 –

RUN WITH ENDURANCE – NEVER GIVE UP





Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses ... let us run with endurance the race that is set before us Heb 12:1

RUN WITH ENDURANCE..

HEB 12:1-2



Witnesses -
Heb 11

Weights -
Lay aside

Sin -
Lay Aside

Run -
Endurance

Look to
Jesus

GOD CHASTENS THOSE HE LOVES

HEB 12:5-11

- Why is it so hard? Why do we have to endure?
 - Chastening is how God refines and train us to endure
- Why does the Lord chasten (train)?
 - Because He loves us and He wants us to endure
- What does Hebrews call those who do not receive chastening ?
 - Illegitimate children
- Is chastening joyful as it occurs? What is the end result?
 - Chastening is hard BUT yields “peaceable fruits of righteousness

**Therefore
strengthen the
hands which
hang down,
and the feeble
knees, and
make straight
paths for your
feet, so that
what is lame
may not be
dislocated, but
rather be
healed.**

Heb 12:12-13



DO NOT FALL SHORT OF GOD'S GRACE

HEB 12:14-17

- Pursue peace with all
- Pursue Holiness
- Avoid Bitterness
- Do not be profane like Esau!

COME TO THE MOUNTAIN

HEB 12:18-24

Mt Sinai

- May not be touched
- Burned with fire
- Blackness
- Darkness
- Tempest
- Trumpets
- Voice of God
- Moses was terrified

Mt. Zion

- City of Living God
- Heavenly Jerusalem
- Innumerable angels
- General assembly of the church
- God the Judge
- Jesus the Mediator
- The Blood of Jesus

COME TO THE MOUNTAIN

HEB 12:18-24

Mt Sinai

Mt. Zion

- Why is the emotional reaction to each mountain different?
- What qualities distinguish those approaching Mt. Zion?

INTERESTING COMPARISON EXODUS AND ACTS 2

At Sinai (Exodus)

- Fire on mountain (19:16-18)
- Loud sound (19:19)
- The Law given (Chs 20-31)
- A false god worshipped (ch 32)
- God's anger proclaimed (32:10)
- Covenant broken (32:19)
- 3000 died (32:28)

At Zion (Acts 2)

- Tongues of fire (2:3)
- Loud sound (2:2)
- The Gospel given (2:22-36)
- Jesus recognized as Lord (2:36)
- God's love proclaimed (2:39)
- Covenant entered (2:41)
- 3000 saved (2:41)

What distinguishes those who died at Sinai from those who were saved at Mt. Zion?

HEAR GOD'S VOICE

HEB 12:25-29

- Do not refuse Him who speaks
 - What lesson does Hebrew writer say Christians should take from Mt Sinai?
 - How powerful is God's voice?
- We are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken
 - How should we as Christians react to Mt Zion?
 - What must we always remember about God (vs 29)?

HOW DOES HEBREWS 12
CHALLENGE YOU TO GROW?