

GRACE for the RACE

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Text: Hebrews 12:1-2 (KJV)

1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience **the race** that is set before us,

2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

1. The Race for the Prize

- a. I Cor. 9:24-27, (19-23) Phil. 3:13-14,
- b. Phil. 1:20-25, Acts 20:22-24, II Tim. 4:5-8

2. Grace for the Race

- a. II Cor. 12:1-10,
- b. Heb. 4:16

3. Don't Faint means don't quit

- a. Heb. 12:5-6, Gal. 6:9,
- b. II Cor. 4:1, 7, 8-17, II Cor. 1:8-10,

4. Consider Paul

II Cor. 11:24-30

5. Consider Christ

The race also involves resisting.

1 Peter 5:8-10 (KJV)

⁸ Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

⁹ Whom resist **stedfast in the faith**, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

¹⁰ **But the God of all grace**, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, **make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.**