

4. What happened to Enoch and why, according to verse 5?

5. What is impossible, according to verse 6?

6. What did Noah do by faith, according to verse 7?

7. What did Abraham do by faith, according to verse 8?

8. What did Jacob do by faith, according to verse 21?

9. What verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: Faith involves things hoped for and not yet seen.

LESSON #2: Abel illustrates for us the proper approach to God by means of the sacrifice.

LESSON #3: Cain was rejected because he refused to approach God in the proper way.

LESSON #4: Enoch walked with God in intimate fellowship. Are you in fellowship with the Lord today?

LESSON #5: The rapture of the church can take place at any moment and like Enoch and Elijah, we will be snatched home in the twinkling of an eye.

LESSON #6: Enoch was pleasing to God because he exercised faith.

LESSON #7: His walk by faith involved being teachable, obedient, and transparent.

LESSON #8: Noah walked with God and he “prepared an ark for the salvation of his household.”

LESSON #9: Abraham illustrates for us the obedience of faith.

LESSON #10: God may be slow but He is never late.

LESSON #11: God tested the faith of Abraham with the command to offer up Isaac.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER TWENTY – HEBREWS 11:23-40

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v.23 By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw he was a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king’s edict.

v.24 By faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter;

v.25 choosing rather to be suffering ill-treatment with the people of God, than to be enjoying the short-lived pleasures of sin;

v.26 considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he was looking forward to the reward.

v.27 By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he persevered, as seeing Him who is invisible.

v.28 By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of the blood, in order that the One who is destroying the firstborn might not touch them.

v.29 By faith they passed through the Red Sea as though [they were passing] through dry land; and the Egyptians, when they attempted it, were drowned.

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

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v.31 By faith Rahab the harlot did not perish along with those who were disobedient, after she had welcomed the spies in peace.

v.32 And what more shall I say? For time will fail me if I am telling of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah; of David and Samuel and the prophets;

v.33 who by faith conquered kingdoms, performed [acts of] righteousness, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions,

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

v.35 Women received [back] their dead by resurrection; and others were tortured, not accepting their release, in order that they might obtain a better resurrection.

v.36 And others received mockings and scourgings, yes, also chains and imprisonment.

v.37 They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were put to death with the sword; they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated

v.38 (men of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains and caves and holes in the ground.

v.39 And all these, having gained approval through their faith, did not receive what was promised,

v.40 because God had provided something better for us, in order that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Hebrews 11:23-40 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. Outline the priorities and choices of Moses in verses 24-26.

3. What did Moses do "by faith," according to verse 27?

4. Describe the battle plan to capture Jericho, according to verse 30.

5. What did Rahab do by faith, according to verse 31?

6. Outline the great accomplishments of faith by men and women of the Old Testament in verses 33-37.

7. What had not yet happened for these Old Testament saints, according to verse 39?

8. What has God done for us, according to verse 40?

9. What verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: It was the faith of Amram and Jochebed, the parents of Moses, who made it possible for Moses to survive.

LESSON #2: Moses manifested the convictions of faith when he “refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter.”

LESSON #3: Moses made the choices of faith when he was “choosing rather to be suffering ill-treatment with the people of God, than to be enjoying the short-lived pleasures of sin.”

LESSON #4: Moses was manifesting the character of faith when he was “considering the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt.”

LESSON #5: Moses was manifesting the consummation of faith as “he was looking forward to the reward.”

LESSON #6: Moses “persevered, as seeing Him who is invisible.”

LESSON #7: Rahab testifies to the fact that no one is beyond the grace of God and the ability to exercise faith.

LESSON #8: Trials do not nullify faith but rather strengthen it.

LESSON #9: True faith involves sacrificial servanthood and not selfish entitlement.

LESSON #10: The glory of the future gave them the endurance for the present.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER TWENTY-ONE – HEBREWS 12:1-13

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v. 1 Therefore, since we are having so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance, and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us be running with perseverance the race lying before us,

v. 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the originator and perfecter of faith, who for the joy lying before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

v. 3 For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, in order that you do not grow weary, giving out in your souls.

v. 4 You have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood in your striving against sin;

v. 5 and you have forgotten the exhortation which is addressed to you as sons, “My son, stop regarding lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor giving out when you are being rebuked (corrected) by Him;

v. 6 for those whom the Lord is loving, He is disciplining, and He is scourging every son whom He is receiving.”

v. 7 It is for discipline that you are persevering; God is dealing with you as with sons; for what son is there whom [his] father is not disciplining?

v. 8 But if you are without discipline, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate children and not real sons.

v. 9 Furthermore, we were having indeed fathers of our flesh (earthly fathers) to discipline us, and we were respecting them; shall we not much rather put ourselves in subjection to the Father of spirits, and live?

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v.10 For they were disciplining us for a short time as was seeming best to them, but He is [disciplining us] for our good, that we may share His holiness.

v.11 In fact, all discipline for the moment is not seeming to be joyful, but sorrowful; yet to those who have been trained by it, afterwards it is yielding the peaceful fruit of righteousness.

v.12 Therefore, strengthen the hands that are weak and the knees which have become disabled,

v.13 and be making straight paths for your feet, in order that [the limb] which is lame may not be dislocated, but rather be healed.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Hebrews 12:1-13 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. What two things are we commanded to do in verse 1?

3. Who are we to be “fixing our eyes” upon as we are running our race, according to verse 2?

4. Why are we to be considering Him, according to verse 3?

5. What must we be careful about with regard to the discipline of the Lord, according to verse 5?

6. What is the Lord’s attitude toward us in the disciplining process, according to verse 6?

7. If we are not experiencing the discipline of the Lord, what should be our major concern, according to verse 8?

8. Why does our heavenly Father discipline us, according to verse 10?

9. What verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: The “cloud of witnesses” are bearing testimony to the fact that the race can be won in victory.

LESSON #2: We must lighten the load and separate ourselves from those things which will trip us up in order to win the race.

LESSON #3: We are to “be running with perseverance the race lying before us.”

LESSON #4: Our focus should be on the Lord Jesus as we are running our race.

LESSON #5: We are strengthened and encouraged in our own race when we consider all that He, our Savior, went through for us.

LESSON #6: Suffering in our lives can be explained sometimes as a part of the disciplining process.

LESSON #7: We are to take discipline seriously and hang in there when we are being corrected by Him.

LESSON #8: The Lord spends His time disciplining those He is loving. He is loving all of us who are His children.

LESSON #9: God is “disciplining us for our good, that we may share His holiness.”

LESSON #10: Discipline is not a “joyful” experience but a “sorrowful” one that “is yielding the peaceful fruit of righteousness.”

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER TWENTY-TWO – HEBREWS 12:14-29

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v.14 Be pursuing peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord.

v.15 Be seeing to it that no one is coming short of the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springing up is causing trouble, and by it many be defiled;

v.16 that there be no immoral or godless person like Esau, who sold his own birthright for one meal.

v.17 For you know that even afterwards, when he was desiring to inherit the blessing, he was rejected, for he found no place for repentance, though he sought for it with tears.

v.18 For you have not come to a mountain that may be touched and to a blazing fire, and to darkness and gloom and whirlwind,

v.19 and to the blast of a trumpet and the sound of words, concerning which sound those who heard begged that no further word should be spoken to them.

v.20 For they were not able to bear the command, “If even a beast touches the mountain, it will be stoned.”

v.21 And so terrible was the spectacle, that Moses said, “I am full of fear and trembling.”

v.22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to myriads of angels,

v.23 to a festal gathering and church of the firstborn who have been registered in heaven, and to God the Judge of all, and to the spirits of righteous men who have been brought to perfection,

v.24 and to Jesus, the Mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood, which is speaking better than the blood of Abel.

v.25 Be seeing to it that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if those did not escape when they refused him who was warning them on earth, much less shall we escape who are turning away from Him who is speaking from heaven,

v.26 whose voice shook the earth then, but now He has promised, saying, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth, but also the heaven.”

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v.27 And this expression, “Yet once more,” is indicating the removing of those things which can be shaken, as of things which have been made, in order that those things which are not being shaken might remain.

v.28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be having grace (showing gratitude), by means of which we may be serving God in an acceptable manner with reverence and awe;

v.29 for our God is a consuming fire.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Hebrews 12:14-29 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. What two things are we to “be pursuing,” according to verse 14?

3. What are we commanded to be careful about, according to verse 15?

4. Why was Esau rejected, according to verse 17?

5. How does Moses respond to the spectacle on Mount Sinai, according to verse 21?

6. How is Jesus described in verse 24?

7. What is the warning that is given in verse 25?

8. How is God described in verse 29?

9. What verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: We are to “Be pursuing peace” on the horizontal, and purification on the vertical.

LESSON #2: God has adequate grace for every circumstance that we face in the divine curriculum.

LESSON #3: Bitterness causes trouble and many are hurt by it.

LESSON #4: When times are hard two things can happen: 1) you quit; and 2) you get bitter.

LESSON #5: Learn well from Esau that it is possible to sell the eternal in pursuit of the temporary.

LESSON #6: There are some decisions that are made that the consequences of such can never be changed.

LESSON #7: Has your name been registered in the Lamb’s Book of Life as a result of your new birth experience?

LESSON #8: Jesus Christ is the Mediator of a New Covenant making it possible for us to be certain of our eternal salvation.

LESSON #9: Be seeing to it that you do not refuse Him Who is speaking.

LESSON #10: Let us never forget that “our God is a consuming fire.”

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER TWENTY-THREE – HEBREWS 13:1-17**NOTES**

- v. 1 Keep on letting love of the brethren continue.
- v. 2 Do not be neglecting to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it.
- v. 3 Be constantly mindful of the prisoners, as [though you were] fellow-prisoners, and those who are suffering ill-treatment, since you yourselves also are being in the body.
- v. 4 Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge.
- v. 5 Let your manner of life be free from the love of money, being satisfied with what you are having; for He Himself has said: "I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you,"
- v. 6 so that we are saying with confidence: "The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid. What shall man do to me?"
- v. 7 Be constantly remembering those who are leading you, who spoke the word of God to you; and considering the outcome of their way of life, be imitating their faith.
- v. 8 Jesus Christ [is] the same yesterday and today, [yes] and forever.
- v. 9 Stop being carried away by varied and strange teachings; for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, by means of which those who are ordering their behavior were not benefited.
- v.10 We are having an altar, from which those who are serving the tabernacle are having no right to eat.
- v.11 For the bodies of those animals whose blood is being brought into the holy place by the high priest as an offering for sin, are being burned outside the camp.
- v.12 Therefore Jesus also, in order that He might sanctify the people through His own blood, suffered outside the gate.
- v.13 Hence, let us be going out to Him outside the camp, bearing His reproach.
- v.14 For here we are not having a permanent city, but we are seeking [the city] which is about to be coming.
- v.15 Through Him then, let us continually be offering up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips which are making confession of His name.
- v.16 And do not be overlooking the doing of good and sharing; for with such sacrifices God is pleased.
- v.17 Keep on obeying your leaders and submitting [to them]; for they themselves are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will give an account, in order that they may be doing this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no help to you.

LESSON #9: His resources are totally adequate to the full accomplishment of His will for our lives.

LESSON #10: He is working in us and He is working through us.

LESSON #11: I am so glad that I am in His intensive care. He monitors my every move!

ADDITIONAL NOTES:
