

HEBREWS



Golden
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Heb 12:1-2

OUTLINE

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| I. The Superiority of Christ | 1:1-10:18 |
| II. The Response of Faith | 10:19-13:25 |
| B. The Life of Faith | 11-12 |
| 1. Triumph of Faith of Heroes | 11 |
| 2. Training for Faith | 12 |
| a. Running the Race of Life | 12:1-13 |
| 1) Running with Endurance | 12:1-3 |
| a) Encouragement to Run | 12:1 |

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By faith fulfilling all
that our Lord has
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(Eph 2:10)**

Let's begin
our training!!



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WITNESSES

- 1. Who are they? - heroes of Heb 11**
- 2. Views**
 - a. Spectators of race**
 - b. Witnesses of God's faithfulness**
11:2, 4-5, 39
- 3. Testify to God's faithfulness**

SPIRITUAL MARATHON

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Encumbrances

Good things that distract, sap energy, low priority, waste time

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Michael Phelps

**Most decorated
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COMPETITION

- 1. Not with others**
- 2. Not in our own strength**
- 3. Not for our reward**
- 4. But with endurance -
commitment to God's purposes
10:32, 36, 12:7**

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| b) Enablement for Running | 12:2 |

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- **Not Crowd**
- **Not at feet**
- **Not Runner Behind**

- **But on Jesus**



Lelisa Desisa
of Ethiopia

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αρχηγος (archegos)

➤ **Originator,
trailblazer,
leader, captain,
pioneer**

**Meriwether Lewis
& George Clark
(1804-06)**



PERFECTER

- **To bring to fulfillment or completion**
- **Jesus will provide all resources needed to complete our purpose (to finish RACE)**
Eph 3:16, Phil 4:13

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HIS JOY

- 1. Of Glorifying Father**
- 2. Of Completing His Purpose**
- 3. Of Providing Salvation**
- 4. Of Exaltation**
- 5. Of Sharing His Future Glory**

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FUTURE INHERITANCE


- 1. Rewards - Mt 16:27, Col 3:23-25**
- 2. Crowns - 1Cor 9:25, Jas 1:12**
- 3. Inheritance - Heb 6:12, 17, 9:16,
Col 1:12, 1Pet 1:4**
- 4. Positions in Kingdom -
1Cor 6:1-3, Rev 2:26-27, 3:21**

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- 5. Reward**

A photograph of a sunset over a large body of water, likely the Sea of Galilee. The sun is a bright, glowing orb in the center of the frame, partially obscured by a thin layer of clouds. The sky is a mix of soft orange, yellow, and pale blue. The water below is dark, with a shimmering path of light reflecting the sun's position. The foreground shows the dark silhouette of a hillside with some sparse vegetation.

**We have a
PERFECTER of our faith
Providing every Resource!!!**

Sea of Galilee from Kursi