

## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>

*\*\*Last week's sermon & this homework can be found at [gbcmt.org/sermons](http://gbcmt.org/sermons) or on the GBC App*

### Prayer and Praise:

How has the Lord blessed you over the summer?

Did you grow in Christ over the summer? Or how did you deliberately pursue greater sanctification in the Christian life over the summer?

After prayer, please continue praising God through song: #60 – *Be Thou My Vision*.

### Together in the Word:

1. Read Hebrews 12:1. What does the great “cloud of witnesses surrounding us” communicate to us? Who are they and what do we learn from them?\_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Pastor Bryan explained there are two things that hinder us in this verse (v.1). What are these two things? Are they (how are they) hindering you currently in your walk with Christ? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. What is the outcome of sin that is left unchecked or unrepented of in the Christian life? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Why is endurance so greatly needed in the Christian life? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Read Matthew 18:15-20, Galatians 6:1-3, James 5:16, 19-20 and Hebrews 10:24-25. Is running the race of the Christian faith a solo effort? \_\_\_\_\_  
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Sermon Prep: Read Hebrews 12

## RUN WITH ENDURANCE

Hebrews 12:1

Series #32

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“Run with Endurance.”** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What special event is held more than 800 times throughout the year?
2. How long is a marathon?
3. When did the marathon race begin?
4. What does “marathon” have to do with the Christian life?
5. We are exhorted to run the race of the Christian life with what?
6. The writer of Hebrews is encouraging his readers to continue moving forward in what?
7. What kind of imagery does the author use to describe how the Jewish Christians need to live their lives?
8. In I Corinthians 9:24-27, Paul describes the Christian life as what?

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9. Eight times in Philippians 3:10-14, Paul uses the personal pronoun “I” to describe what?
10. In I Timothy 6:10-12, Paul uses the picture of what to describe what it is going to take to be effective in the Christian life/ministry?
11. In 2<sup>nd</sup> Timothy 2:2-6, Paul uses what several analogies?
12. As Paul looked back over his life, he saw it as a what?
13. Were all of the men/women of Hebrews 11 basically the same?
14. “Whenever you see a “therefore” you need to understand what?
15. The “so great a cloud of witnesses” is a reference to whom?
16. What is something that not everyone mentioned in chapter 11 did?
17. The common thread of the people of chapter 11 is what?
18. Are the weights and the sin which so easily entangles the same?
19. Are there things in your life that are not necessarily wrong but are a weight in your life that slows you down in the race? What?
20. Do you have unnecessary guilt that is a weight to slow you down?
21. Paul was never satisfied because he knew the goal was what?
22. What ensnares us?
23. What are some specific sins that would hinder us?
24. Bitterness is like pouring acid on yourself and waiting for what?
25. The opportunities to feed sinful lust, indulge sinful lust, and pander to sinful lust are what?
26. Some Christians are completely debilitated by what?
27. What is a serious matter if it is unchecked and unaddressed?
28. Are you entangled by greed?
29. We have to run the race with what?
30. The fact that the author adds the word “endurance” indicates that it’s not what?
31. The true test is how we run the race when it seems that what is happening?
32. How many times is some form of the word “endure” used in Hebrews?
33. The second way the author emphasizes the difficulty of the race is the particular word he uses for what?
34. What Greek word does the author use?
35. The Christian life can be downright what at times?
35. What are some other ways the Greek word “race” can be translated?
36. How will you finish the race?
37. What is your motivation and source of strength in running the race?
38. In the Christian life, where are you looking in the race?