



HEBREWS 12:1-17 DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
Week of 11/28/21

On-ramp to a great time together: What's your favorite part of the traditional Thanksgiving meal?

Pray Together: One of Calvary's shaping values is "Prayer in Faith." What does that mean? We believe that God accomplishes His will through our prayers.

Adoration- Read Psalm 100- Together, praise God for his character, will, and accomplishments.

Confession- Read James 5:15-16 – Admit your sins and ask God's overflowing mercy and forgiveness in your life.

Thanksgiving- Read 1 Thessalonians 5:16-17 – Thank the Lord for everything he has accomplished in your life.

Supplication- Read Philippians 4.6 – Use this time to pray for each other's needs.

Read the passage, then select 2-3 questions from below to discuss.

1. This chapter begins with surpassing encouragement for those who live by faith. After reading verses 1-3, what about these verses encourage you to run the race?
2. The writer of Hebrews has some instruction for those who wrestle with sin and submit to God's will in verses 3-4; why does he point to Jesus' wrestling in the garden? What has been your experience of sin and temptation taught you?
3. As you read verses 7-11, What is the Lord's discipline reveal about our relationship with God?
4. What is the overall result the writer of Hebrews wants us to understand?

5. Look and read verses 12-17; there is a call to action; believers must show new commitment and a renewed concern for one another; how do you see this carried out through these verses?

How does the description form your commitment as a LifeGroup? What are tangible ways to express your commitment and renewed concerns for each other?

6. Have you ever heard the phrase taken from the Spiderman movies, "With great power comes great responsibility?" As you look at the remaining verses in chapter 12 (vv.18-24), the writer makes a big deal about the privileges of the new covenant and the responsibility that flows such benefits. What do you believe is a proper response to Jesus speaking a better word?

7. In the concluding remarks of verses 25-29, the writer wants us to pay careful attention to God. If you were to think about your last week, how often did you pay attention to God's word and work in your life? Why do you believe it is so hard to recognize the word and work of God in your life?

8. What do you make out of the phrase in verse 29? Why do we need to see "God is a consuming fire?"