

**PERSUASIVE CHASTENING FOR THE RACE OF LIFE**  
**(Hebrews 12:3-11)**

From our text in Hebrews 12 we have noted a number of principles we should know...

1. We need to realize that we are \_\_\_\_\_ the race that God has \_\_\_\_\_ !
2. We need to keep in mind the \_\_\_\_\_ of those who successfully ran \_\_\_\_\_ (chp 11)
3. We are urged to \_\_\_\_\_ every weight & the sin that easily \_\_\_\_\_ our progress in the race of life!
4. We need to run with steadfast \_\_\_\_\_ in light of the \_\_\_\_\_ before us.
5. We need to be \_\_\_\_\_ in the race that is set before us!
6. We are encouraged to earnestly \_\_\_\_\_ Him who \_\_\_\_\_ such hostility, lest during the Christian life race we become \_\_\_\_\_ in our minds!

“consider” (analogizomai)

- If we fail to “*consider*” what Christ endured, two possibilities are stated:

- a. You could become \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ in the race of life.
- b. You need to realize no matter how \_\_\_\_\_ things are for you in your life situation, you have not yet \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ (martyrdom), striving against sin.(12:3b)

7. As sons of God, we are “not to despise the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord, nor be discouraged when we are \_\_\_\_\_ by Him”! (12:5b)

- The *key word* in this passage is *paideia* found (\_\_\_ x) in various forms meaning to “\_\_\_\_\_”, to “\_\_\_\_\_”, to “\_\_\_\_\_”, or to “\_\_\_\_\_”
- a. This passage has to do with the chastening/disciplining hand of the Lord toward those who are His \_\_\_\_\_, but who are \_\_\_\_\_ with Him in the Christian life race!
- b. *Generally*, this is an exhortation spoken to the \_\_\_\_\_, but *specifically* it is *individualized & personified* to “\_\_\_\_\_”, to \_\_\_\_\_, the believer if you are saved!

c. This aspect of “\_\_\_\_\_” gives us position, privilege, and potential practical advantage that we must come to understand over time & by exposure to \_\_\_\_\_.

- Why is “faithfulness” so necessary?

d. The writer is \_\_\_\_\_ as well as \_\_\_\_\_ the Hebrew believers & us today, to respond \_\_\_\_\_ to the Lord & what He \_\_\_\_\_ in your Christian life.

e. Divine discipline is \_\_\_\_\_ (12:5b; Proverbs 3:11-12)

\*Two commands are included here:

1) Do not \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord (12:5b)

“despise” (oligoreo)

- When we despise correction we \_\_\_\_\_ the correction to our own \_\_\_\_\_!

- The chastening hand of the Lord speaks of God seeking to encourage you to \_\_\_\_\_ your ways believer. It has your \_\_\_\_\_ & God’s \_\_\_\_\_ in mind!

2) Nor be \_\_\_\_\_ when you are \_\_\_\_\_ of Him!

“be discouraged” (ekluo)

- Diagram of the make-up of man