



THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS: Getting to Know Jesus

Lesson 16 – JESUS & CHRISTLIKE LIVING

Hebrews 12:1-17

I. Introduction

- i. Building on the examples of faith in chapter 11, we see the:
 - a. The need for endurance
 - b. The necessity of maintaining spiritual focus
 - c. The consequences of rejecting God's grace
 - d. The importance of holiness
 - e. How to avoid negativity in our spirits
 - f. The true beauty of proper worship to God.

II. Lesson Points

- a. We must ENDURE (vs. 1-3)
 - i. We should be encouraged by the examples of faith in Hebrews 11
 - ii. We must free ourselves of any thought, attitude, or practice that will hinder
 - iii. Perseverance calls for stamina
 - iv. We must submit to the journey that is prepared for us
 - v. Stay focused on Jesus without being diverted.
 - vi. Follow Jesus's example when we encounter hard moments.

- b. We must STAY DISCIPLINED (vs. 4-11)
 - i. Discipline produces holiness in us.
 - ii. Discipline should never be overlooked or disregarded (Proverbs 3:11-12)
 - iii. Discipline is God's method to maturing us.

- c. We must live in COMMITMENT AND CONCERN (vs. 12-17)
 - i. Looking to Jesus and understanding discipline keeps us going even in spiritual exhaustion
 - ii. We must commit and show concern to live in peace and in God's holiness
 - iii. We must be careful not to miss out on giving or receiving God's grace
 - iv. We must not allow ourselves or others to fall into spiritual bitterness.
 - v. Spiritual repentance is available for those who desire it.