**LET US FIX OUR EYES ON JESUS**

Hebrews 12:1-4

Key Verse: 12:2 “Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

1. To what does the author compare the Christian life? (1; Compare 2 Timothy 4:7) Who are the clouds of witnesses who have completed their races? What are the things that hinder our running the race?

2. What is the race marked out for us? What is the start and what is the finish line? What does it mean to run with perseverance? (cf. Philippians 3:13-14)

3. Why must we fix our eyes on Jesus? (2) What does it mean that he is the author (pioneer, founder) and perfecter (finisher) of our faith?

4. When we suffer for Christ, how can we not grow weary and lose heart? (3; 1 Peter 4:13)

5. How far should we struggle against sin? (4) How does Jesus help and encourage us in our struggle? (Hebrews 2:16-18)