

## Holy Intrusion

### Hebrews 12

Hebrews 11:34b – “Their weakness was turned to strength. They became strong in battle.”

2 things we need to strip off (throw off) to make progress in our lives:

1. Every \_\_\_\_\_ that slows us down (hindrance, encumbrance)
2. Every \_\_\_\_\_ that hinders our progress (trips us up, entangles us, clings so closely)

Don't let sorrow slow you down!

ESV Study Bible – “Do not grow weary! Earthly trials actually testify to the fatherly discipline of God. Such trials call for a response of endurance, and the author cautions against rejection of this character training.”

“When you pray to be delivered from your difficulties, and I do so, you are only being rescued, not victorious. I am trying to train you, \_\_\_\_\_ to be armed, equipped and disciplined for the adversary and you keep trying to end the training process.” (Debbie Stuart)

Hebrews 12:15 - “Look after each other so that none of you fails to receive the grace of God.

Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you, corrupting many.” NLT

NKJV: “looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble, and by this many become defiled;

WHAT IS: “the grace of God” (in this passage)

1. Grace = charis (kha-res) -
  1. that which affords joy, pleasure, delight, sweetness, charm, loveliness: grace of speech
  2. good will, loving-kindness, favor - the merciful kindness by which God, **exerting his holy influence** upon souls, turns them to Christ, **keeps, strengthens, increases them in Christian faith, knowledge, affection**, and **kindles (BLAZE!)** them to the exercise of the Christian virtues

2 Chronicles 16:9 – “For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of *those* whose heart is **loyal** to Him.” NKJV

➤ Fully committed - wholeheartedly devoted – completely His - (ALL IN!)

Obey the Lord WITHOUT: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_