## RUN YOUR RACE! Hebrews 12:1-3

Four biblical principles we must know to Run our Race for Jesus and finish strong.

Not everyone who grows old, grows up!

#### 1. WE RUN THE FAITH RACE Together!

Hebrews 11 is God's Hall of Fame.

Our English word "martyr" means, "Witness."

What is our response to this great legacy of faith?

- We need to be **Faithful** ourselves.
- Realize we are always **B<u>uilding</u>** on the work and faithfulness of other people.

### 2. LET US LAY ASIDE EVERY ENCUMBRANCE.

- Encumbrance (Weights) = **Anything** that hinders our spiritual growth.
- What will keep you from growing as a Christian? Un-belief! Faith replaces un-belief.

(Hebrews 11:6)

• Let **Go** of the sin that will not let go of you.

# 3. LET US RUN WITH ENDURANCE.

- The Christian life is a marathon not a Sprint.
- The hardest part of anything is <u>Starting!</u>

# 4. LET US FIX OUR EYES ON JESUS.

- Success is a matter of Focus.
- We are not called to comfort or convenience, but to commitment and Conviction!

- -Our faith begins with Jesus, that's Salvation.
- -Our faith ends with Jesus, that's Glorification.
- -Our faith Continues with Jesus, that's Sanctification.

One day we (all Believers) will be in that great cloud of witnesses. Will you be there? Who do you know who needs to hear the Gospel?

Run your race and don't give up, don't give in, and don't give out!

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7