

FAITH FOR THE LONG ROAD

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³² . . . I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³who through faith . . . gained what was promised . . . ³⁵Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured . . . ³⁹These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, ⁴⁰since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect.

— Hebrews 11:32–33,35,39-40 (NIV)



EVERY NATION
SINGAPORE



PRAY

- Thank God for an answered prayer this week.
- Ask God for faith to keep going, whether you are in a season of victory, pain, or waiting.



MEDITATE

Engage

Start the conversation with this question...

What's the longest journey you have ever taken?

Key Points

Connect to God's truth by sharing...

- Hebrews 11 reminds us that God commends people of faith, and has ultimately planned something better for all of us through Christ. How then should we live as people who have received this hope?
- **Throw off everything that hinders.** Following Jesus requires letting go of anything that slows us down and the sin that entangles us, so we can persevere and keep the faith.
- **Run with perseverance.** The road of faith can be long and difficult, but we are called to keep going. Encouraged by the examples of those who came before us, we press on in faith through hardship.
- **Fix our eyes on Jesus.** Jesus endured the cross because of the joy set before Him. When we grow weary or discouraged, we look to Him—the source and perfecter of our faith—and find strength to keep going.
- The road of faith may not always be easy, but we can keep going by laying aside what holds us back, persevering through hardship, and keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus.

Discuss Together *(pick at least one)*

- Share about a time when you faced something difficult that made you want to give up. What helped you persevere?
- What things distract you, slow you down, or hinder you from following Jesus faithfully, even when you want to grow in faith?
- When following Jesus feels tiring or difficult, what helps you keep going and fix your eyes on Him?
- What's one area of your life right now where you need faith to keep going and keep trusting the Lord? What would your next step of faith look like?



PROCLAIM

Declare this truth based on your identity in Christ

Key Truth

In Christ, I can keep running the long road of faith by laying aside what hinders me, persevering through hardship, and fixing my eyes on Jesus.

Pray Together *(pick at least one)*

- Thank God for the better hope He has prepared for us through Jesus.
- Ask Him to help you lay aside anything that hinders your walk with Him.
- Pray for strength to persevere and keep your eyes on Jesus when the road gets difficult.
- Pray for each other's prayer requests.

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¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ²fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

— Hebrews 12:1-3 (NIV)