

#### THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

Scripture Reading

# Hebrews 12:1–11

#### THE MAIN POINT OF HEBREWS 12:1–11

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  - What did Jesus endure? The shame and the cross.
  - *Where is Jesus now?* Experiencing joy while glorified and enthroned with God his Father.

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- 4. Receive the discipline of your loving Father...and endure (verses 5-11).

#### 4. RECEIVE GOD'S LOVING DISCIPLINE.

Think about God's <u>wisdom</u> for you in Proverbs 3:11-12 (verses 5-6).

Discipline is training in maturity that involves correction; correction involves "teaching," "warning," and painful but "not abusive" physical enforcement (Wegner on Proverbs).

Think about God's <u>relationship</u> with you—he's your Father, and being a child involves receiving discipline (verses 7–9).

Think about God's <u>intention</u> for you—he's only good, and he wants only the best for you (verses 10–11).