

Sunday, January 27, 2019 | Wawasee Community Bible Church | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Craig Clapper

## **Walking With God**

Hebrews 12:1-2

### Walk Light

Hebrews 12:1 - "lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely,"

What does your pack weigh?

### Walk Right

Hebrews 12:1 - "and let us run with endurance the race set before us,"

Are you a white blazer?



#### Who is in your bubble?

## Walk with <u>Delight</u> Hebrews 12:2 - "for the joy that was set before him"

Are you enjoying the journey?

# Walk with the End in <u>Sight</u> Hebrews 12:2 - "is seated at the right hand fo the throne fo God"

Are you a thru-hiker?



### **Getting Started**

1. What are the "weights" that are loaded in your "backpack of life" today? If you were to "weigh" your "backpack"—i.e. all that you are carrying with you physically, emotionally, spiritually, relationally, etc.—how much do you think it would weigh? Is it more than you should be carrying?

What is this? – Each week people from Wawasee Bible meet in small groups in various homes to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, and live life together. We call them 1:10 Community Groups (the "1:10" comes from Colossians 1:10). The questions here are based on the sermon each week (often a

Read Hebrews 12:1-2. Review your message notes. What stood out to you from the message this week? Do you have questions? Disagreements? Discuss it with your group.

### **Digging Deeper**

- 3. What do you think is the "cloud of witnesses" that the writer describes in verse 1 (Hint: think back to chapter 11)?
- 4. The writer describes tells us to "lay aside every *weight* and *sin*." What is the difference between these two terms? Does a "weight" necessarily have to be a "sin"?
- 5. The author is calling believers to run "the race" in verse 1. What is "the race"? Is "the race" the same for every person?
- 6. What did Craig describe as a "white blazer"? How did Jesus accomplish becoming our founder/pioneer as per verse 2?
- 7. What is the "end goal" of the race? How do we get there? How does the body (the church) assist in this race? So, who is in your bubble?
- 8. **Read 2 Timothy 2:1-7.** What are some parallels in this passage with the passage in Hebrews 12?
- 9. The phrase, "entangles himself," in verse 4 implies that we, ourselves, have chosen to become "entangled...in the affairs of this world." What would you consider to be "stuff" in which believers can become entangled/mixed up in?
- 10. In verse 5, Paul says "all who compete in athletics...compete according to the rules." What rules is Paul talking about?

### **Up Close**

- 11. What "weights" and/or "sins" are hindering your life right now and that you could/should get rid of?
- 12. What "weights" in your pack are beneficial for the race and will strengthen your endurance? Thank God for these "weights" that he has given you to build up your spiritual body and to persevere to the end.
- 13. Are you enjoying the journey? Are you a thru-hiker? Thank God for the journey and keep going!!!!

During your prayer time this week, let's all be praying together about the following items. Use the space at the bottom to record your personal prayer items, or requests from your 1:10 Group.

#### **Neighboring Church**

Pray this week for the ministry and people of Grace Lutheran Church in Syracuse.

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