

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 6/17/07

BIBLE PASSAGE: *Hebrews 12:1-17*

TITLE: “DADS WHO DARE TO DISCIPLINE”

INTRO:

1. Do you want to live a confident and successful earthly life? You NEED _____ HELP...
2. Are you a REAL dad? (Bible, prayer, family, testimony).
3. Often the actions of a _____ father go unnoticed or are taken for granted...

PROPOSITION: Life itself is a discipline. Believers must be willing and able to accept discipline throughout their lives for personal correction, growth, and enrichment.

I. THE GUIDING PURPOSE OF DISCIPLINE/TO BRING MEANING TO LIFE, *Hebrews 12:1-8*.

A. Life Is A Constant State Of Learning, *verses 1-3*.

1. Who are the “witnesses”? Verse 1, *cf. I Timothy 4:7-16*.
2. Who is our focus? Verse 2.
3. What is the _____? Verses 2, 3, *cf. Isaiah 40:28-31*.

B. All We Face In Life Is Under God’s Providence, *verses 4-6*.

1. Life is not merely _____/unconnected incidents.
2. A loving God has a plan for each person.
3. God’s blessing is _____ related to our yieldedness and obedience.

C. Earthly Life Prepares Us For Heavenly Life, *verses 7, 8*.

1. Depravity is reality.
2. Salvation is God’s plan.
3. New birth assumes growth.

II. THE GUIDING PRINCIPLE OF DISCIPLINE/GOD KNOWS BEST, *Hebrews 12:9, 10*.

A. Contrast The Principles Of Human And Divine Discipline.

a. Focus On Divine Truth And Discipline.

C. Face The Reality Of Pain And Sorrow.

1. Pain is a _____ of depravity.

2. Pain gets our attention.

III. THE GREAT AIM OF ALL DISCIPLINE, *Hebrews 12:10-15*.

A. To Become _____ In God's Holiness, *verses 10-12*.

1. Holiness is commanded.

2. Holiness brings fulfillment.

B. To Reach For This _____ In The Practical Sense, *verses 13, 14*.

1. Yield to God's plan, *Psalms 19:7-14*.

2. You are not alone, *John 16:7-14*.

C. To Pursue A _____ Attitude Toward All Discipline, *verses 15-17*.

1. What is the _____ of discipline?

2. Respond to God the way you want your children to respond to you

CONCLUSION:

1. Are you sure of heaven?

2. Are you a solid dad?