

# 希伯來書淺談

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第九課:勸勉的話

Word of Exhortation (12:1-13:25)

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## Losing Hope

- The hearers were facing severe persecution
  - Again ??!
  - Situation likes cancer recurrence
  - Really disappointed...
- Past experience (10:32-34)
  - Remember the “old good days”
  - 你們要回想從前的日子，那時，你們蒙了光照，忍受了許多痛苦的煎熬 (10:32)
- Hold on...
  - 還有一點點的時候，那要來的就來，並不遲延。(10:37)
- You are not alone... (11:1-40)
  - 信就是對所盼望的事的把握，是看不見之事的明證。因著這信心，古人得到了稱許。
  - Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. This is what the ancients were commended for. (NIV – 11:1-2)

- 所有這些人都藉著信得了稱許，卻還沒有得著所應許的 (11:39)
- 因為神已經為我們預備了更美的事，使他們若不跟我們在一起，就不能完全。(11:40)
- Name -> Action or Event -> positive outcome

## Preparation for Race

- 所以，我們既然有這麼多的見證人，像雲彩圍繞著我們，就應該脫下各樣的拖累，和容易纏住我們的罪，以堅忍的心奔跑那擺在我們面前的賽程 (12:1)
  - Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us (NIV 12:1b)
- Visit your doctor
- Train daily
- Have a proper diet
  - Eat properly
  - Pre-run post-run
  - High in carbohydrates
  - Low in fat...
- Life is more than a marathon race...

## Difficult Race

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  - Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us (NIV 12:1b)
- 忍受了許多痛苦的煎熬…人面前被辱罵，遭患難 … 遭監禁 … 家業被搶奪… (10:32-34)
  - 釘十字架、披獸皮讓惡狗咬死、釘上柱子做為蠟燭 …
  - 你們與罪惡鬥爭，還沒有對抗到流血的地步 (12:4)
- Look up to the saints 見證人
  - 脫下各樣的拖累，和容易纏住我們的罪
- 以堅忍的心奔跑…
  - An attitude
  - Tough Mudder attitude

## The Mudder Pledge

- Tough Mudder slogan and pledge. Please follow this link
  - <https://toughmudder.com/events/what-is-tough-mudder>
- Believes shall have Mudder-like attitude
  - Not only train well for a race
  - Prepare for the worst and most crazy!!

## Focus on Jesus

- 專一注視耶穌，就是那位信心的創始者和完成者。他因為那擺在面前的喜樂，就忍受了十字架，輕看了羞辱，現在就坐在神寶座的右邊。(12:2)
- Focus on Jesus
  - Not only on his sacrificial work.
  - Also his example of endurance
  - 忍受了十字架，輕看了羞辱

## 管教?

- 主所愛的他必管教
- 為了接受管教，你們要忍受，因為 神待你們好像待兒子一樣；哪有兒子不受父親管教的呢？作兒子的都受過管教。如果你們沒有受管教，就是私生子，不是兒子了。(12:7-8)
- Hearers might thought God no longer care
- Hardships are discipline from Father
  - Indicate “true children of the Father”
- Discipline (*paideia*)
  - Eph 6:4 - Father training his children
  - 2Tim 3:16 - Training in righteousness
  - 訓練, 操練

## Like Father, Like Son

- Training to make us more like our Father
  - 神管教我們，是為著我們的好處，使我們在他的聖潔上有分 (12:10b)
  - We may share in his holiness (NIV)
- Painful, but the fruit of discipline is worthy
  - 一切管教，在當時似乎不覺得快樂，反覺得痛苦 (12:11a)
- Later on, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace (12:11b NIV)
  - Spiritual maturity
  - Positive relationship with God

## Final Warning (12:14-17)

- 12:14-17 is the final warning in Hebrews (read)
  - 不要像以掃 (12:16)
- 為了一點點食物，出賣長子名分
  - Lost the chance on 承受祝福
  - Misplaced value
    - Firstborn – double portion of inheritance
- 當拿以掃為警戒 (CUV title)
  - 要謹慎，不要失了神的恩 (12:15)
  - 不要像以掃 (12:16)
    - Stupidity cannot be cured
- 你們要竭力尋求與眾人和睦，並且要竭力追求聖潔。如果沒有聖潔，誰也不能見主。(12:14)

## Guidelines for Christian Living

1. Love fellow Christians (13:1)
  - 保持弟兄的愛
  - *Philadelphia* – a noun “loving as brothers”
2. Show hospitality (13:2)
  - 用愛心接待人
3. Minister those in prison/mistreated (13:3)
  - 記念那些被囚禁的人, 那些受虐待的人 (遭苦害 CUV)
  - As the hearers were in prison and be mistreated
4. Hold marriage as honorable (13:4)
  - 應該尊重婚姻, 婚床也不要玷污
5. Be content with your money (13:5)
  - 不要貪愛錢財, 要以現在所有的為滿足
  - 神親自說過: 「我決不撇下你, 也不離棄你。」
  - Need not worry our needs will go unmet
6. Respect church leaders (13:7-17)
  - Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden

## Benediction - 祝福

- 但願賜平安的神, 就是那憑永約之血使群羊的大牧人我主耶穌從死裡復活的神, 在各樣善事上成全你們, 叫你們遵行他的旨意, 又藉著耶穌基督在你們心裡行他所喜悅的事。願榮耀歸給他, 直到永永遠遠! 阿們。(13:21-22)
  - Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing his will, and may he work in us what is pleasing to him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (NIV)