

January 3, 2021
Hebrews 12:5-11

BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND

I. Introduction:

Q. Why was the birth of Jesus so significant?

A. From the time that Jesus was born He was born to _____

The Lord God has given Me the tongue of disciples, That I may know how to sustain the weary one with a word. He awakens *Me* morning by morning, He awakens My ear to listen as a disciple." Isaiah 50:4

A. The Mission Of Jesus

"who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." Hebrews 12:2

II. God's Purpose For Us Is To Grow and _____

A. The path To maturity is like a _____

"let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."
Hebrews 12:1

Race: In Greek "Agon" meaning _____

B. We are to run the race with _____

"let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."
Hebrews 12:1

Perseverance: In Greek: "Hupomone" meaning _____

C. We must keep our _____ on Jesus.

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." Hebrews 12:2

III. The Path To Maturity Involves Discipline:

- A. Discipline is a _____ Principle
- B. Biblical examples of God's divine discipline
 - Joseph
 - Moses
 - Daniel
 - Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego
 - The Apostle Paul
 - Jesus Himself
 - Mary, Martha, and Lazarus
- C. We all face the disciplines of discouragement, disappointments, depression, darkness and delay.

IV. Our Response In Times Of Discipline:

- A. Do not regard it _____ (vs. 5)
- B. God's Discipline is an _____ of His _____ (vs. 6)
- C. God's Discipline is _____ we belong to God (vs. 7)
- D. God's Discipline is for our _____ (vs. 10)
- E. God's Discipline doesn't last _____ (vs. 11)