

A Fathers Delight-Building Champions

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Hebrews 12:4-11

⁴ In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.⁵ And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.⁶ For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.”

⁷ It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline?⁸ If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons.⁹ Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live?¹⁰ For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness.¹¹ For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

God uses discipline to build into us the Champion pedigree of His own Son

2 Cor. 1:3-7 God of All Comfort

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,⁴ who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.⁵ For as we share abundantly in Christ's sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too.⁶ If we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; and if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we suffer.⁷ Our hope for you is unshaken, for we know that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in our comfort.

As earthly fathers life happens and we recoil from the struggle- our view is clouded by...

As we approach the testing-affliction-suffering and trials remember He who bore ours

Do we gladly receive the comfort, and then abide in the discipline?

Will we be trained and yield the fruit of righteousness in peace?

Who is your Life coach?

Our Father who art in heaven