

Hebrews

Chapter 12

Student

Contents: The **FATHER**'s chastening of believers and its purpose. The difference between living *under* law and *under* grace.

Characters: **GOD**, **CHRIST**, Esau, Moses, Abel.

Conclusion: Christians have a race, of service and sufferings to run. It is a course of active and passive obedience, in all of which they need to keep their eyes fixed upon the **LORD JESUS**. The best of **GOD**'s children still need chastisement, but afflictions when rightly endured, bring about proofs of **GOD**'s, even though **GOD** is displeased. As a result, we are made more fit and better able to serve. We are then left with a closer relationship.

Key Word: Chastening, 5.

Strong Verses: 1, 2, 5, 6, 14, 25.

Striking Facts: 1, 2. **CHRIST** is not only the object, but the Author of our faith. **HE** is the:

- a. Purchaser of the Spirit of faith,
- b. Publisher of the rule of faith, and,
- c. The cause of the grace of faith.

HE is also the finisher of our faith—the fulfilling of all Scripture promises and prophecies, the finisher of grace, the rewarder of faith and will eventually **bring faith to an end** by bringing us to **HIMSELF**.

Questions:

1. How should we feel about being disciplined by GOD?
2. How are we regarded (thought of) if resist and resent discipline from **GOD**?
3. What has **JESUS** done which we have not done?
4. What is **JESUS** to us?
5. What should we be encouraged by?
6. What should we think of, besides the past witnesses, that should give us hope?

Bonus Question: Should we not resist evil men and endure pain and hardship as a good Christian?