

**SCC SMALL GROUP STUDY**  
**READY TO THROW IN THE TOWEL?**  
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Hebrews 11:35-12:4

**Getting Started:**

1. Of all your life experiences to date, which brought you the most discipline?
2. Of all the contests or races you've been in, which ones were significant because of the crowd's reaction to you in particular?

**Searching the Scriptures:**

1. What additional heroes of the faith are noted in Hebrews 11:32-28?
2. What great achievements were accomplished as a result of faith?
  - \* What came of such faith? (vs. 39-40)
3. What "three" actions in **Hebrews 12:1-2** are Christians commanded to do as they run the race?
  - \* Of what practical help are the cloud of witnesses (a sample of which were described in Ch. 11)?
4. Drawing from their example and your own experience, what does it mean to throw off sin and hindrances?
  - \* What is the difference between a hindrance and a sin?
  - \* To fix our eyes on Jesus?
5. What does hardship demonstrate about a person's relationship with God?
  - \* How should a person respond to God when disciplined?
  - \* How does Christ's discipline differ from human discipline?
  - \* What benefit does discipline bring?

**Application of the Scriptures:**

1. What comfort do you get from knowing that a cloud of witnesses is watching you run the Christian race?
2. What are two obstacles that hinder and entangle you in your race? Why?
3. What have you discovered that helps you keep your eyes fixed on Jesus?