

BETTER & BEST
'Run the race'
Hebrews 11:23-12:3

- is faith for wimps?

Faith acts with courage (v23-27)

- faith doesn't fear other people

- faith stands with God's people

Faith understands with clarity (v28-31)

- salvation and judgement

Faith reckons with providence (v32-40)

- triumphant heroes

- suffering heroes

Faith runs with endurance (v1-3)

- run the race

- see the faces

- look to Jesus



Starter-questions for discussion

? 'Faith is just a crutch for the weak!' – how would you respond?

? What does the fear of other people keep you from doing?

? Can you relate to Jeremiah when he said 'Why do the wicked prosper'?

? What would you say to someone who said, 'I've prayed for God to heal me but he hasn't. I feel God has let me down.'

? What kind of things slow us down in the Christian race?

? Do you know the stories of any figures from church history? Which do you find most inspirational?

? How can we keep our focus on 'the joy set before us'?