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)

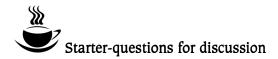
salvation and judgement

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



- **?** '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'?