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God's Discipline and its Blessings.

Heb.12:7-11

‘Study to show thyself approved unto God...’ – 2 Timothy 2:15
The importance of reading and learning God’s word is a vital part of both growing and also experiencing the blessing of belonging to God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.

This truth is one of the purposes why we wish to offer you these sermon notes which are to be used while listening to the sermon.

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Roadmap of where we have been and where we are going:

Enduring Faith Defined (11:1) Exemplified (11:2-40), and finally Commanded (12:1-26).

INTRODUCTION

Today we will consider the relationship between God's Discipline and its Blessings.

HOW THEN ARE WE GOING TO CONSIDER TODAY'S TEXT?

1) What does God's Discipline Evidence?

- (a) God's Love
- (b) Our Adoption.
 - 1) Its presence grants assurance.
 - 2) Its absence causes concern.

2) What are Responses to God's Discipline?

- (a) '*if ye endure*' – the risk of taking it lightly (despising) or inappropriate.
- (b) Rejection
- (c) Subjection

3) What are the Benefits of God's Discipline?

- (a) No pain, no gain. "grievous"
- (b) growth in holiness
- (c) prepares in us 'peaceable fruit of righteousness'

DEUTERONOMY 8:1-5

1All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers.

2And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no.

3And he humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

4Thy raiment waxed not old upon thee, neither did thy foot swell, these forty years.

5Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, so the LORD thy God chasteneth thee.

I. What does God's Discipline Evidence?

(A) God's Love .

Prov.13:24 "He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him often."

Prov.5:21-23 "21For the ways of man are before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings. 22His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins. 23He shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray."

Prov.29:15 "The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame."

- **Biblical Illustration** – The Israelite Wilderness Experience - Duet.8:1-5

(B) Our Adoption.

1. Its presence grants assurance.

CH Spurgeon "It seems to me that doubt is worse than trial. I had sooner suffer any affliction than be left to question the gospel or my own interest in it."

John 15:18; Rom.7:24

2. Its absence causes concern.

2 Tim.3:16-17; Heb.4:12

II. What are Responses to God's Discipline?

1. The fruits of Rejection
2. The fruits of Subjection & Acceptance

III. What are the Benefits of God's Discipline?