

## Why Jesus? Who Else?

*Someone Better*

Hebrews 12:1-14

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*For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God,  
you may receive the promise: Heb 10:36*

### So "How can we have enduring faith when times are difficult?"

1. Look at the witnesses for **encouragement** (v.1)
2. Lay aside the weights that **disable us** – (v.1)
3. Lay aside the sin that **disqualifies us**.
4. Look to Jesus as our **enabling example**. (v.2)
  - a. Look - He is the **author of your faith**. Ephesians 2.8-9.
  - b. Look - He is the **finisher of your faith**. What he began he will complete.
  - c. Look – He considered **his passion** a joy.
    - i. His joy was **redemption**
    - ii. His joy was a **reward**
  - d. Look – He endured **hostility and opposition**, such as we will never face. (v.3)

Finally:

- We are running a race. It takes **effort**; personally.
- It is a race against **sin**
- It is not a race against **other Christians**
- It is race for a **reward**.

Are you even in the race?