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TOPICS: Ascension & Lordship of Christ; Atonement; Faith; Living in Christ;

Praise & Worship; Serving in Christ's Name; Suffering for Christ

LEAD-IN: Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw

off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from

sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

(Hebrews 12:1-3, NIV)

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Seeing the Unseen

He persevered because he saw him who is invisible. (Hebrews 11:27, NIV)

Take faith as the light for your path. All that we hear and read is lifeless compared to the glory of knowing God personally by faith. We spend too much time pondering a copy when we should be gazing on the Original.

Fixing our eyes on God leads to a fearlessness and a firmness of mind. Seeing God lifts us above the fear and hope of all that is not Him. God is sovereign in justice and infinite in mercy. He only sends what is good for us. What should we fear? What should we hope for but Him?

Our part is to focus on Almighty God and walk in His presence, as seeing Him who is unseen.

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