

RECONNECTING: POOR CONNECTION

January 10, 2021 Hebrews 12:1-2

OPENING QUESTION

In what areas of your life do you feel disconnected?
Disconnected from what? How do you handle it?

RE-CONNECT BY REMOVING - Hebrews 12:1

- These people are not witnessing what we are doing; rather, they are bearing witness to us that God can see us through. God bore witness to them (Heb. 11:2, 4-5, 39) and they are bearing witness now to us.
- What are the “weights” that we should remove so that we might run the race? Everything that hinders our progress.
- While he does not name any specific sin, the writer was probably referring to the sin of unbelief. It was unbelief that kept Israel out of the Promised Land, and it is unbelief that hinders us from entering into our spiritual inheritance in Christ.

1. Who are the “great cloud of witnesses” and how do they bear witness about what God can do? How do you witness what God has done for you?
2. What is the difference between “weight” and “sin”? What weights do you need to remove from your life so that you can walk unhindered?

RE-CONNECT BY FIXING - Hebrews 12:2

- “Looking to Jesus” describes an *attitude* of faith and not just a single act.
- Jesus is the author, founder, and perfecter of our faith and our story.
- To step into God’s story for our lives or to fulfill our purpose, we have to focus on the race, and focus on our own lives
- Jesus tells us to fix our eyes upon Him!
- Stay connected to Him and remove any hindrance, any interference, and re-connect your poor connection to the power of Jesus that you’re already connected to!

1. What does it mean for you to “look to Jesus”? Look to Him for what?
2. What if you were required to be the author and perfecter of your own faith? How is Jesus perfecting your faith in Him?

RECONNECTING...

IN A DISCONNECTED WORLD

CLOSING QUESTIONS

Hear

What are some things that stood out to you in this week’s sermon and Scriptures?

Obey

How will you identify the things that are hindering your faith? Are some of them obvious and others more hidden? Are you trying to be the perfecter of your own faith? How do those saints who have come before us witness to us about the greatness of God? Does this passage provide an example for you to follow?

Pray

Pray that God will show you how He wants to perfect your faith in all areas of your life in 2021. How can you pray for one another in these areas this week?