



**Laser Focus**  
**Perseverance - Week 2**

*This resource can be used to guide your personal anchoring time throughout the week, a small group discussion, or even a one-on-one conversation.*

**READ**

**Begin by reading Hebrews 12:1-3.**

- As you read, underline or highlight the actions that you see mentioned in the passage.
- Why do you think Paul uses an analogy of a race in this passage?
- What questions do you have after reading these verses?

**REFLECT**

Read Acts 20:24 and Hebrews 12:1-3. A laser-focused life requires purpose, perseverance, and perspective. Perseverance is doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success. It is a tenacity and commitment to not quit despite the circumstances. As we persist in the faith, it is being having a laser-focused commitment to sharing the Gospel, looking to Jesus for our hope and encouragement along the way.

- What are the difficult things in your life that hinder you, cause you to grow weary, or lead you to lose heart - especially when it comes to your faith? How does someone "throw off" these hinderances?
- Where do you find yourself "fixing eyes?" What are the things that you place your focus or hope in, apart from Jesus? Why is it dangerous to fix your eyes on such things?
- How does dwelling on negative circumstances affect your ability to be laser-focused on Jesus and His purpose for your life? What changes when you align your focus with Christ's motivation?
- How does the remembrance and consideration of what Jesus did for you on the cross, and how other people endured in their faith, help you preserve in your faith?
- How have you seen perseverance in your faith lead you into deeper relationship with Jesus Christ? How can you share that hope with others around you this week?

**PRAY**

Begin your time of prayer by reading James 1:12. Read it slowly. Now, use this verse to guide your prayer. To get you started...

**FOCUS** on the race and purpose that God has called you to live out.

**THANK** Jesus for enduring the cross and being an example of perseverance.

**CONFESS** where you have grown weary and lost heart.

**ASK** the Spirit to remind you of the joy that is found in Jesus and give you the strength to endure whatever might try to hinder you in the race God has set before you.

**\*Keep going this week by reading these scriptures:**

Psalms 138:8

Matthew 6:25-34

Psalms 90:12

Colossians 3:23

