

## Running the Race

*Read Hebrews 12:1-3*

Father, help me lay aside  
everything that is weighing me down and  
holding me back.  
Everything, Lord.  
Every habit,  
every false and fuzzy way of thinking,  
every misplaced priority,  
every laziness.  
Fix my eyes on Jesus –  
His life,  
His holiness,  
His complete devotion to You.

Father, are any of my former  
thoughts,  
words, or  
ways  
still clinging to me?  
Cleanse them away.  
Help me to put them off completely.  
I want to be like Jesus Christ.

If you are following Jesus,  
you are traveling  
against the current.  
Expect resistance.  
You are going  
the right way in  
a wrong-way world.