



SERMON NOTES

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Scripture: Hebrews 12:4-6 (NAS)
Topic: "Discipline Seated In God's Love"
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4 You have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood in your striving against sin;
5 and you have forgotten the exhortation which is addressed to you as sons, "MY SON, DO NOT REGARD LIGHTLY THE DISCIPLINE OF THE LORD, NOR FAINT WHEN YOU ARE REPROVED BY HIM;
6 FOR THOSE WHOM THE LORD LOVES HE DISCIPLINES, AND HE SCOURGES EVERY SON WHOM HE RECEIVES."

I. ENTERING THE RING OF GOD'S DISCIPLINE

A. Striving - Antagonist

B. Not Yet Martyrs

C. The Opponent Is Sin

1. From others who oppose *John 3:2; 15:19*

2. Sin from within *Galatians 5:17; 1 Peter 2:11*

3. Call to die to self *Mark 8:34, 35*

II. PERSPECTIVE IN THE MIDST OF TRIAL

A. Others Have Suffered More

B. Christ's Suffering In View

III. DISCIPLINE IS FOR SONS

A. You Must Be A Child Of God *John 1:12*

B. You Are Not A Child By Physical Birth *John 1:13; Galatians 5:26*

C. If You Are Not A Child Of God, You Are Under God's Judgment

IV. REPROOF

A. God's Word Reproves us When We Hear It *II Timothy 3:16,17*

B. God's Discipline Is Loving

C. God's Discipline Distinguished From His Judgment

D. Discipline Is Aimed At Helping Us Conquer Sin

E. Designed To Produce Christian Growth

F. We Are Not To Ignore God's Discipline

G. We Must Recognize It As God's Loving Act