

“Sins That So Easily Beset Us”

Heb. 12:1-2

Introduction

- I. After the examples of those who lived by faith, the writer of Hebrews encourages Christians to get rid of sins that cause them to be trapped (2 Tim. 2:19-26).
- II. How can we accomplish this important goal?

Discussion

- I. We should never allow ourselves to get used to sin.
 - A. We are not to be servants of sin (Rom. 6:12-14).
 - B. We are to “abhor” evil (Rom. 12:9).
 - C. There are consequences to getting used to sin (Psm. 66:16; 1 Cor. 6:12).
- II. Change the ways we think and act.
 - A. Get away from the temptation to sin (1 Cor. 6:18; 10:14; 1 Tim. 6:9-11; 2 Tim. 2:22; 1 Thess. 5:22).
 - B. Never get too close to sin (Rom. 13:14; Psm. 1:1; Matt. 5:29-30).
 - C. Replace the evil with good (Phil. 4:8; Psm. 23:7).
- III. Thank God that He forgives our sin.
 - A. Consider how Paul felt (Rom. 7:14-25).
 - B. Christians have “overcome the world” (1 John 5:4; cf. 1 John 3:8-9).

Conclusion

- I. I do not know the sins that beset you, but I do know the sins that beset me.
- II. I must not be complacent, but rather keep running forward, away from sin (Heb. 12:1-2; Rom. 12:21).