

Valley Bible Church – Sermon Study Questions

**Study Aid for the Sermon from July 22, 2018
Perseverance, Peace, and Purity
Hebrews 12:12-14**

Observing the text

Who are those in Hebrews 12:12 that would have needed their hands and feet strengthened?

Did the author provide any hint in Hebrews 12:12 about how those weak hands and knees could have been strengthened?

What did the author mean when he told his readers “to make straight paths for their feet” in Hebrews 12:13?

What did the author say would be the benefit of making straight paths for their feet in Hebrews 12:13, and what did he mean by this?

What two things did the author tell his readers they needed to pursue in Hebrews 12:14, and why did he pick those particular two things?

What did the author mean when he told his readers in Hebrews 12:14 that without sanctification no one would see God?

Applying the sermon

What are some of the ways that those running in the long-distance race of faith might manifest spiritual exhaustion?

Do you believe that you are presently manifesting those signs? And if you are not, what are going to do about it?

What are some traumatic earthly circumstances that render a long distance runner in the race of faith spiritually injured? And what might be some of the symptoms of such an injury?

Do you believe that you are presently manifesting those symptoms and if you are not, what are you going to do about it?

What are some of the inevitable pursuits that will be manifested in our long-distance race of faith if our faith is indeed genuine, living, and saving?

Do you believe that you are presently manifesting those pursuits? And if you are not, what are you going to do about it?