"Running the Race of Faith"
Hebrews 12:1-3

All believers have been called to participate in the race of faith. In today's text, the writer to the Hebrews coaches us on how to get ready for this race and how to stay on track. Four steps are shared which will help us run a successful race, especially during the uncertain times in which we live.

I. We need to prepare ourselves by removing anything that will keep us from running well (v. 1b).

II. We need to focus on our strategy, which is to run with steadfast determination (v. 1c).

III. We need to keep our eyes on the finish line (v. 2).

IV. We need to maintain a positive mental attitude (v. 3).

<u>Some final thoughts….</u>

Faith is a mind-set – a determined plan to finish the race that God has set before us. To keep us on course in the race of faith:

1. **Claim the grace to persevere.**
2. **Remember that you are never alone.**
3. **Fix your eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of your faith.**