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A woman in athletic gear is rock climbing a dark, textured rock face. The scene is dimly lit, emphasizing the physical effort and the rugged environment. The background is a dark blue gradient with a faint, large-scale pattern of the word 'FAITH' in a serif font.

“God’s Woodshed”

Hebrews 12:5-11

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Call to the Word

Hebrews 12:3-11

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For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls. You have not yet resisted to bloodshed, striving against sin.

Hebrews 12:3



And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons: "MY SON, DO NOT DESPISE THE CHASTENING OF THE LORD, NOR BE DISCOURAGED WHEN YOU ARE REBUKED BY HIM; FOR WHOM THE LORD LOVES HE CHASTENS, AND SCOURGES EVERY SON WHOM HE RECEIVES."

Hebrews 12:5-6

If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons.

Hebrews 12:7-8

Furthermore, we have had human fathers who corrected *us*, and we paid *them* respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? For they indeed for a few days chastened *us* as seemed *best* to them, but He for *our* profit, that *we* may be partakers of His holiness.

Hebrews 12:9-10



Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Hebrews 12:11





“God’s Woodshed”

Introduction / Recap

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Heb 12:3-4

Weary: ready to drop from exhaustion

Discouraged: ready to quit and return to Judaism

Heb 12:3-4

Consider: study Jesus

Who... struggled *and* fought agonizingly against sin, *and* resisted *and* withstood to the point of pouring out His [*own*] blood.

“Remember”

Heb 12:5-6

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Exhortation: a word of encouragement for the purpose of strengthening and establishing the believer in the faith...

Prv 3:11-12

Heb 12:5-6

Despise: don't think you are above this

John 15:20; 16:33

Heb 12:5-6

Chastening: (paideia) to educate, to train

Refers to whatever efforts are made toward cultivating the soul.

Heb 12:5-6

Discouraged: don't allow yourselves to grow despondent and downhearted... that it's not worth the effort.

He's treating you as *His* child.

Heb 12:5-6

Scourge: to be whipped, flogged, beat.

Hebrew: yakach – to correct

Pro 3:12 For whom the LORD loves He reproveth,
Even as a father **corrects** the son in whom he
delights (NASB)

God does not punish His children... *He will not inflict retribution for an offense...* retribution is punishment inflicted on someone as vengeance for a wrong or criminal act - **Jesus took our retribution on the cross...**

“Understanding Why”

Heb 12:5-6

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Understanding Why...

- **God disciplines His children because He loves them.**
- **God disciplines His children to make them mature.**
- **God disciplines His children to increase their capacity for virtue.**

Understanding Why...

- **God disciplines His children to keep them on the right path.**
- **God disciplines His children to grow their faith.**
- **God disciplines His children to purify them from sin.**

Sometimes our attitude needs correcting

Job 1:8-12; 42:3-6

Ps 94:12-13

Sometimes we need correction because of our sin

Ps 38:1-4

Sometimes we just need to build endurance

Heb 10:36

A woman is shown rock climbing on a dark, textured rock face. She is wearing a light-colored tank top and dark shorts, and is secured by a climbing rope. The background is dark and moody, emphasizing the climber's form and the ruggedness of the rock.

“Understanding How”

Heb 12:5-6

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Understanding How...

Life difficulties... (2Co 11:23-29)

V23 ...I have worked harder, been put in prison more often, been whipped times without number, and faced death again and again.

Understanding How...

Experiencing Loss... (2Sam 12:13-18)

V14. Nevertheless, because you have shown utter contempt for the word of the LORD by doing this, your child will die.”

Understanding How...

Physical Ailments (1Co 11:30-31)

1Co 11:30 For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep.

End Game

The desired result of God's discipline is holiness and maturity and to become like His Son.

James 1:2-4

Rom 8:29

Rev 5:10

End Game

*We are **kings**, so we are God's royalty - this is privilege, status, and authority. We are **priests**, so we are God's special servants. We represent God to man and man to God. We have exclusive access to God.*

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“Our Response”

Heb 12:7-11

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How do we respond?

Endure (hupmonae)

As we undergo God's discipline, we can rejoice in at least one fact: God is treating us as true children of His

If we are not being chastened...

Then you are *illegitimate*... and you may indeed hear the words... “depart from me, for I never knew you”

Prv 12:1 Whoever loves instruction loves knowledge, But he who hates correction *is* stupid.

Our Profit...

Holiness... that we may drink deeply of His
Holiness, His wholeness

Gal 5:22

“Many believers are deeply grieved, because they do not at once feel that they have been profited by their afflictions. Well, you do not expect to see apples or plums on a tree which you have planted but a week. Only little children put their seeds into their flower-garden, and then expect to see them grow into plants in an hour.” (Spurgeon)

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