

**The Eternal Race**  
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**Hebrews 12:1 MSG**

*Do you see what this means—all these pioneers who blazed the way, all these veterans cheering us on?*

**Hebrews 12:1 EasyEnglish Bible**

*So, we have learned about many people who trusted God long ago. They are like a very big crowd all round us and we should copy their example. We must be like people who run in a race. We must throw away everything that stops us from running well. The sins that we do make us fall down very easily. We must not let those sins rule us. God has prepared the way that is in front of us. We must continue to be strong while we run along that way. We must choose to run that race well. As we run, we must always look towards Jesus. He is the one who trusted God completely.*

**Those Who Run an Eternal Race:**

1. **Need others** to run well.

**Race Reminders:**

1. **One** is too small a number to achieve greatness.
2. This is a **relay race**.
3. The baton must be passed to another at **full speed**.

**Those Who Run an Eternal Race:**

2. Realize that over time, change is **essential**.

Everything you want but don't have is outside your comfort zone!

“The secret of change is to focus all of your energy not on fighting the old but on building the new.” — *Socrates*

## **Those Who Run an Eternal Race:**

3. Have **winners'** DNA within them.

Jesus DNA

### **Hebrews 12:3 MSG**

*When you find yourselves flagging in your faith, go over that story again, item by item, that long litany of hostility he plowed through. That will shoot adrenaline into your souls!*

### **Rouse DNA — “Values That Last”:**

- Value All People
- Character
- Leadership
- Consistency