The Message Notes **Message:** *Whatchu Looking At?* Teacher: Pastor Brooks July 25, 2021



Scripture: Hebrews 12:1-2

- 1. _____- Romans 12:3. Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us. NLT
 - a. Be _____ with yourself
 - b. _____ the fact that you missed the mark

c. _____ away from the behavior

- 2. _____- Hebrews 12:1. Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. NLT
 - a. ______ Philippians 2:5-8. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. 7 Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, 8 he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross. NLT
 - b. _____ Philippians 4:6-7. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

- c. _____ Proverbs 20:11. Even children are known by the way they act, whether their conduct is pure, and whether it is right. NLT
- 3. ______ Hebrews 12:2. We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne. NLT
 - a. _____ your past failures -

¹³ No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us. Philippians 3:13 NLT

b. _____ ahead through fears -

¹⁴ I press on to reach the end of the race

c. _____ on Christ and his promises –

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TAKEAWAY: In order to guard ourselves against the distractions of this world, we must **EVALUATE** our walk in God; **ELIMINATE** anything that hinders us; and **ELEVATE** our sights to focus on Jesus and His promises for us.