

SERMON NOTES

Date: April 19, 2020

Series: Anchored

Title: Anchored through Discipline

Text: Hebrews 12:3-11

Big Idea: You can endure the discipline of God because in Christ you are not alone, you are child of God, and you are being transformed.

APPLICATION GUIDE

DISCUSS

What is the discipline of God? Why does God discipline us?

What reasons of hope does the author of Hebrews provide during discipline?

What are some differences between God's punishment and discipline? (Deuteronomy 8:5; 2 Samuel 7:14; Romans 1:18, 8:1-2; 1 Corinthians 11:30-32; 2 Peter 2:9; 1 John 4:17-18; Revelation 3:19)

APPLY

What are some wrong assumptions/beliefs about the discipline of God? How does this passage reshape our understanding?

What can you only learn through discipline? What has God taught you through seasons discipline?

What are some reasons why God's discipline is painful for you? How does God's *purpose* of discipline help you endure the *pain* of discipline?

What in your life keeps you from thriving? In what ways might God be chiseling you?

Does the presence of God's discipline make you a less mature Christian? Why or why not?

COMMIT

Start a journal and record how God is working in your life through your current hardships.