

Text: Hebrews 12:12-17

VITAL PRACTICAL ADVICE

1. Therefore

- a) Action must be taken
- b) This is logical

2. Short list of practical advice

- a) Strengthen Hebrews 12:12
 - i) The hands which hang down
 - ii) And the feeble knees
- b) Make straight paths for your feet Hebrews 12:13
 - i) So that what is lame may not be dislocated
 - ii) But rather be healed
- c) Pursue Hebrews 12:14
 - i) Peace with all people
 - ii) And holiness without which no one will see the Lord
- d) Looking carefully Hebrews 12:15
 - i) Lest anyone falls short of the grace of God
 - ii) Lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble
 - iii) And by this many become defiled

3. The Example of Esau

Hebrews 12:16-17

- a) He was called a profane person
- b) He sold his valuable birthright for a morsel of food
- c) Repentance can sometimes be in vain
 - i) Esau lost his birthright because he did not know how to value it
 - ii) He did not know to value spiritual and eternal things

WHAT PRACTICAL STEPS ARE WE WILLING TO TAKE?

1. These steps need to be determined
2. They must be followed through
 - a) Diligently
 - b) Faithfully

BIBLE MEMORY WORK

Looking carefully lest anyone fall short of the grace of God, lest any root of bitterness springing up cause trouble and by this many become defiled. Hebrews 12:15