

**Welcome to First & Faith UMC**  
**Sermon Notes - October 31, 2021**  
**“Blessed to be a Witness”**

**Hebrews 12:1-3 & 14**

1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. 2 Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

14 Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord.

**Life Application Questions:**

- 1) Who is included in the great cloud of witnesses?
- 2) In what ways can we be a witness for Christ?

**Prayer:** “Dear Lord we ask you to help us keep our focus on you. As we endure hardships and persecution empower us to stay strong. Help us to never grow weary of being witnesses for you. May our words and actions help people get closer to you. Please extend your salvation through all that we do as a local church. Amen.”