

## Definitions of Terms

### Hebrews 12:1-27

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- 12:1 **therefore** (*toigaroun*) [*toi+gar+oun* = 'For by which, therefore']. "A particle introducing an inference, *for that very reason, then, therefore* (in first position, as in most ancient writers)."
- witness** (*martyr*). "1 one who testifies in legal matters, *witness*... 2 one who affirms or attests, *testifier, witness* ..., anyone who can or should testify to anything... 3 one who witnesses at cost of life, *martyr*, in the usage of the persecuted church."
- cling** (*euperistatos*). "*Easily ensnaring, obstructing, constricting.*"
- 12:2 **consider** (*analogizomai*). "To reason with careful deliberation."
- despise** (*kataphroneô*). "2 to consider something not important enough to be an object of concern when evaluated against something else, *care nothing for, disregard, be unafraid of.*"
- 12:4 **resist** (*antikathistêmi*). "*Oppose, resist... resist unto death* Hb 12:4."
- struggle** (*antagônizomai*). 4 Maccabees 17, "14 The tyrant was the antagonist; the world and human society looked on. 15 Godliness won the victory and crowned its own athletes."
- 12:5 **son** (*huios*). "1 [One] who is in a kinship relationship either biologically or by legal action, *son, offspring, descendant*... 2 a pers. related or closely associated as if by ties of sonship, *son*... c of one whose identity is defined in terms of a relationship with a person or thing... In a special sense the devout, believers, are sons of God, i.e., in the light of the social context, people of special status and privilege."
- 12:5ff **discipline** (*paideô, paideia*). "1 to provide instruction for informed and responsible living, *educate*... 2 to assist in the development of a person's ability to make appropriate choices, *practice discipline*."
- 12:9 **subject** (*hypotassomai*). "*Subject oneself, be subjected or subordinated, obey*... Of submission involving recognition of an ordered structure, w. dative [to] the entity to whom/which appropriate respect is shown."
- 12:25 **refuse** (*paraiteomai*). "1 to make a request... 2 to avert something by request or entreaty... b decline, refuse, avoid, reject."
- turn away** (*apostrephô*). "1 generally, to turn something away from something... 2 to cause change in belief or behavior... 3 turn away from by rejecting... 4 to return something to its customary place. 5 turn back."