

Scripture References from the Sermon

Explicitly Mentioned References:

1. **1 Kings 17** - Mentioned as a correction from previous week (incorrectly stated instead of 1 Samuel 17)
2. **1 Samuel 17** - The David story (corrected reference)
3. **Hebrews 12** - Main text of the sermon
4. **Hebrews 12:1-3** - Cloud of witnesses, running the race, fixing eyes on Jesus
5. **Hebrews 12:4-11** - God's discipline and not losing heart
6. **1 Thessalonians 5:16-18** - Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances
7. **Matthew 6:21** - Where your treasure is, there your heart will be
8. **Matthew 15:8** - Honor with lips but heart is far from God
9. **Matthew 22:37** - Love God with all your heart
10. **Matthew 24:48** - Saying in your heart
11. **Mark 6:52** - Hard heart
12. **Luke 24** - Road to Emmaus, slow of heart
13. **John 14** - Do not let your hearts be troubled
14. **Acts** - Opening hearts (general reference to the book)
15. **Romans** - Foolish of heart (general reference)
16. **1 Corinthians 14** - Secrets of the heart
17. **Ephesians 4** - Blindness of heart
18. **Ephesians 6:10-18** - Armor of God (alluded to)
19. **James** - Hardship as discipline (general reference)
20. **Book of Job** - Extensively discussed throughout
21. **Proverbs 1:20-33** - Wisdom calling out
22. **Proverbs 9:10** - Beginning of wisdom is fear of the Lord (alluded to)

References to Biblical Stories/Events:

23. **Exodus 14** - Parting of the Red Sea and the Egyptian army
24. **Daniel 3** - Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the fiery furnace

25. **Luke 18:18-30** - The rich young ruler
26. **Acts 2:44-45; 4:32-35** - Early church sharing possessions
27. **Matthew 16:24-26** - Taking up your cross to follow Jesus
28. **2 Peter 3:10-13** - New heaven and new earth

Suggested Relevant Verses for Themes Discussed:

29. **Romans 5:3-5** - Suffering produces perseverance
30. **James 1:2-4** - Consider it joy when facing trials
31. **2 Corinthians 4:16-18** - Not losing heart despite outward decay
32. **Philippians 4:11-13** - Contentment in all circumstances
33. **Romans 8:28** - God works all things for good (alluded to in sermon)
34. **Psalm 139:1-18** - God knows us completely, including hairs on our head
35. **Matthew 10:29-31** - God's care for sparrows and counting hairs
36. **John 16:33** - In this world you will have trouble
37. **2 Timothy 3:12** - All who live godly lives will be persecuted
38. **Hebrews 11** - Hall of Faith (mentioned as chapter before main text)