

# Hebrews Chapter 12

## Old Testament Direct Quotations

### Hebrews 12:6

#### Proverbs 3:11-12 NIV

<sup>11</sup> My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline,  
and do not resent his rebuke,  
<sup>12</sup> because the Lord disciplines those he loves,  
as a father the son he delights in.

### Hebrews 12:13

#### Proverbs 4:26 NIV

<sup>26</sup> Give careful thought to the paths for your feet  
and be steadfast in all your ways.

### Hebrews 12:20

#### Exodus 19:12-13 NIV

<sup>12</sup> Put limits for the people around the mountain and tell them, 'Be careful that you do not approach the mountain or touch the foot of it. Whoever touches the mountain is to be put to death. <sup>13</sup> They are to be stoned or shot with arrows; not a hand is to be laid on them. No person or animal shall be permitted to live.' Only when the ram's horn sounds a long blast may they approach the mountain."

### Hebrews 12:21

#### Deuteronomy 9:19 NIV

<sup>19</sup> I feared the anger and wrath of the Lord, for he was angry enough with you to destroy you. But again the Lord listened to me.

### Hebrews 12:26

#### Haggai 2:6 NIV

<sup>6</sup> "This is what the Lord Almighty says: 'In a little while I will once more shake the heavens and the earth, the sea and the dry land.

### Hebrews 12:29

#### Deuteronomy 4:24 NIV

<sup>24</sup> For the Lord your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.

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### Hebrews 12:2

#### Psalm 25:15 NIV

<sup>15</sup> My eyes are ever on the Lord,  
for only he will release my feet from the snare.

### Hebrews 12:6

#### Psalm 94:12 NIV

<sup>12</sup> Blessed is the one you discipline, Lord,  
the one you teach from your law;

#### Psalm 119:75 NIV

<sup>75</sup> I know, Lord, that your laws are righteous,  
and that in faithfulness you have afflicted me.

### Hebrews 12:7

#### Deuteronomy 8:5 NIV

<sup>5</sup> Know then in your heart that as a man disciplines his  
son, so the Lord your God disciplines you.

#### 2 Samuel 7:14 NIV

<sup>14</sup> I will be his father, and he will be my son. When he  
does wrong, I will punish him with a rod wielded by  
men, with floggings inflicted by human hands.

#### Proverbs 13:24 NIV

<sup>24</sup> Whoever spares the rod hates their children,  
but the one who loves their children is careful to  
discipline them.

### Hebrews 12:9

#### Numbers 16:22 NIV

<sup>22</sup> But Moses and Aaron fell facedown and cried out,  
“O God, the God who gives breath to all living things,  
will you be angry with the entire assembly when only  
one man sins?”

#### Numbers 27:16 NIV

<sup>16</sup> “May the Lord, the God who gives breath to all  
living things, appoint someone over this community

#### Isaiah 38:16 NIV

<sup>16</sup> Lord, by such things people live;  
and my spirit finds life in them too.  
You restored me to health  
and let me live.

### Hebrews 12:11

#### Isaiah 32:17 NIV

<sup>17</sup> The fruit of that righteousness will be peace;  
its effect will be quietness and confidence forever.

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#### Isaiah 35:3 NIV

<sup>3</sup> Strengthen the feeble hands,  
steady the knees that give way;

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#### Deuteronomy 29:18 NIV

<sup>18</sup> Make sure there is no man or woman, clan or tribe among you today whose heart turns away from the Lord our God to go and worship the gods of those nations; make sure there is no root among you that produces such bitter poison.

### Hebrews 12:16

#### Genesis 25:29-34 NIV

<sup>29</sup> Once when Jacob was cooking some stew, Esau came in from the open country, famished. <sup>30</sup> He said to Jacob, "Quick, let me have some of that red stew! I'm famished!" (That is why he was also called Edom.) <sup>31</sup> Jacob replied, "First sell me your birthright." <sup>32</sup> "Look, I am about to die," Esau said. "What good is the birthright to me?" <sup>33</sup> But Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore an oath to him, selling his birthright to Jacob. <sup>34</sup> Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and some lentil stew. He ate and drank, and then got up and left. So Esau despised his birthright.

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#### Genesis 27:30-40 NIV

<sup>30</sup> After Isaac finished blessing him, and Jacob had scarcely left his father's presence, his brother Esau came in from hunting. <sup>31</sup> He too prepared some tasty food and brought it to his father. Then he said to him, "My father, please sit up and eat some of my game, so that you may give me your blessing."

<sup>32</sup> His father Isaac asked him, "Who are you?"

"I am your son," he answered, "your firstborn, Esau."

<sup>33</sup> Isaac trembled violently and said, "Who was it, then, that hunted game and brought it to me? I ate it just before you came and I blessed him—and indeed he will be blessed!"

<sup>34</sup> When Esau heard his father's words, he burst out with a loud and bitter cry and said to his father, "Bless me—me too, my father!"

<sup>35</sup> But he said, "Your brother came deceitfully and took your blessing."

<sup>36</sup> Esau said, "Isn't he rightly named Jacob? This is the second time he has taken advantage of me: He took my birthright, and now he's taken my blessing!" Then he asked, "Haven't you reserved any blessing for me?"

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<sup>37</sup> Isaac answered Esau, "I have made him lord over you and have made all his relatives his servants, and I have sustained him with grain and new wine. So what can I possibly do for you, my son?"

<sup>38</sup> Esau said to his father, "Do you have only one blessing, my father? Bless me too, my father!" Then Esau wept aloud.

<sup>39</sup> His father Isaac answered him,  
"Your dwelling will be  
away from the earth's richness,  
away from the dew of heaven above.

<sup>40</sup> You will live by the sword  
and you will serve your brother.  
But when you grow restless,  
you will throw his yoke  
from off your neck."

### Hebrews 12:18

#### Exodus 19:12-22 NIV

<sup>12</sup> Put limits for the people around the mountain and tell them, 'Be careful that you do not approach the mountain or touch the foot of it. Whoever touches the mountain is to be put to death. <sup>13</sup> They are to be stoned or shot with arrows; not a hand is to be laid on them. No person or animal shall be permitted to live.' Only when the ram's horn sounds a long blast may they approach the mountain."

<sup>14</sup> After Moses had gone down the mountain to the people, he consecrated them, and they washed their clothes. <sup>15</sup> Then he said to the people, "Prepare yourselves for the third day. Abstain from sexual relations."

<sup>16</sup> On the morning of the third day there was thunder and lightning, with a thick cloud over the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast. Everyone in the camp trembled. <sup>17</sup> Then Moses led the people out of the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain. <sup>18</sup> Mount Sinai was covered with smoke, because the Lord descended on it in fire. The smoke billowed up from it like smoke from a furnace, and the whole mountain trembled violently. <sup>19</sup> As the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke and the voice of God answered him.

<sup>20</sup> The Lord descended to the top of Mount Sinai and called Moses to the top of the mountain. So Moses went up <sup>21</sup> and the Lord said to him, "Go down and warn the people so they do not force their way through to see the Lord and many of them perish. <sup>22</sup> Even the priests, who approach the Lord, must consecrate themselves, or the Lord will break out against them."

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### Exodus 20:18 NIV

<sup>18</sup> When the people saw the thunder and lightning and heard the trumpet and saw the mountain in smoke, they trembled with fear. They stayed at a distance

### Deuteronomy 4:11 NIV

<sup>11</sup> You came near and stood at the foot of the mountain while it blazed with fire to the very heavens, with black clouds and deep darkness.

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### Exodus 20:18-19 NIV

<sup>18</sup> When the people saw the thunder and lightning and heard the trumpet and saw the mountain in smoke, they trembled with fear. They stayed at a distance <sup>19</sup> and said to Moses, "Speak to us yourself and we will listen. But do not have God speak to us or we will die."

### Deuteronomy 4:12 NIV

<sup>12</sup> Then the Lord spoke to you out of the fire. You heard the sound of words but saw no form; there was only a voice.

### Deuteronomy 5:5 NIV

<sup>5</sup> (At that time I stood between the Lord and you to declare to you the word of the Lord, because you were afraid of the fire and did not go up the mountain.) And he said:

### Deuteronomy 5:25 NIV

<sup>25</sup> But now, why should we die? This great fire will consume us, and we will die if we hear the voice of the Lord our God any longer.

### Deuteronomy 18:16 NIV

<sup>16</sup> For this is what you asked of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said, "Let us not hear the voice of the Lord our God nor see this great fire anymore, or we will die."

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#### Isaiah 24:23 NIV

<sup>23</sup> The moon will be dismayed,  
the sun ashamed;  
for the Lord Almighty will reign  
on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem,  
and before its elders—with great glory.

#### Isaiah 60:14 NIV

<sup>14</sup> The children of your oppressors will come bowing  
before you;  
all who despise you will bow down at your feet  
and will call you the City of the Lord,  
Zion of the Holy One of Israel.

### Hebrews 12:23

#### Exodus 4:22 NIV

<sup>22</sup> Then say to Pharaoh, 'This is what the Lord says:  
Israel is my firstborn son,

#### Genesis 18:25 NIV

<sup>25</sup> Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the  
righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and  
the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge  
of all the earth do right?"

#### Psalms 94:2 NIV

<sup>2</sup> Rise up, Judge of the earth;  
pay back to the proud what they deserve.

### Hebrews 12:24

#### Genesis 4:10 NIV

<sup>10</sup> The Lord said, "What have you done? Listen! Your  
brother's blood cries out to me from the ground.

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#### Deuteronomy 18:19 NIV

<sup>19</sup> I myself will call to account anyone who does not  
listen to my words that the prophet speaks in my  
name.

### Hebrews 12:26

#### Exodus 19:18 NIV

<sup>18</sup> Mount Sinai was covered with smoke, because the  
Lord descended on it in fire. The smoke billowed up  
from it like smoke from a furnace, and the whole  
mountain trembled violently.

### Hebrews 12:27

#### Isaiah 34:4 NIV

<sup>4</sup> All the stars in the sky will be dissolved  
and the heavens rolled up like a scroll;  
all the starry host will fall  
like withered leaves from the vine,  
like shriveled figs from the fig tree.

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### Isaiah 54:10 NIV

<sup>10</sup> Though the mountains be shaken  
and the hills be removed,  
yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken  
nor my covenant of peace be removed,”  
says the Lord, who has compassion on you.

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### Psalm 15:5 NIV

<sup>5</sup> who lends money to the poor without interest;  
who does not accept a bribe against the innocent.  
Whoever does these things  
will never be shaken.

### Daniel 2:44 NIV

<sup>44</sup> “In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will  
set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will  
it be left to another people. It will crush all those  
kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself  
endure forever.

### Malachi 2:5 NIV

<sup>5</sup> “My covenant was with him, a covenant of life and  
peace, and I gave them to him; this called for  
reverence and he revered me and stood in awe of my  
name.

### Malachi 4:2 NIV

<sup>2</sup> But for you who revere my name, the sun of  
righteousness will rise with healing in its rays. And you  
will go out and frolic like well-fed calves.

## Hebrews 12:29

### Exodus 24:17 NIV

<sup>17</sup> To the Israelites the glory of the Lord looked like a  
consuming fire on top of the mountain.

### Exodus 9:3 NIV

<sup>3</sup> the hand of the Lord will bring a terrible plague on  
your livestock in the field—on your horses, donkeys  
and camels and on your cattle, sheep and goats.

### Psalm 97:3 NIV

<sup>3</sup> Fire goes before him  
and consumes his foes on every side.

### Isaiah 33:14 NIV

<sup>14</sup> The sinners in Zion are terrified;  
trembling grips the godless:  
“Who of us can dwell with the consuming fire?  
Who of us can dwell with everlasting burning?”