

# Treasure Hunt

## Heb 12:11-13

1. How is “the fruit of righteousness” different from “the fruit of the Spirit”?
2. What event does “the peaceable fruit of righteousness” anticipate?
3. Ben: What can we do to enjoy peace and righteousness?
4. Nate: To whom is our attention directed in 12:12-24?
5. Michael: How are the preceding contexts of Heb 12:12 and Isa 35:3 similar?
6. What metaphor does the writer use to describe a discouraged Christian?
7. Faith: Who is responsible for building a highway that won’t trip lame people?
8. Elijah: Who else travels on this highway?
9. What is the relation between “ponder the path” (Prov 4:26, KJV) and “make straight paths” (Prov 4:26, LXX)?
10. Caitlin: How might one disciple “put a stumblingblock” before another?

# Structural Context

10:32-13:19, The Life of the Sons of God

10:32-12:24, Living in the World

10:32-39, Example & Exhortation

- 32-34, Example
- 35-39, Exhortation

11:1-40, Examples (indicative)

12:1-24, Exhortation (imperative)

12:25-29, Warning

13:1-19, Living in the Church

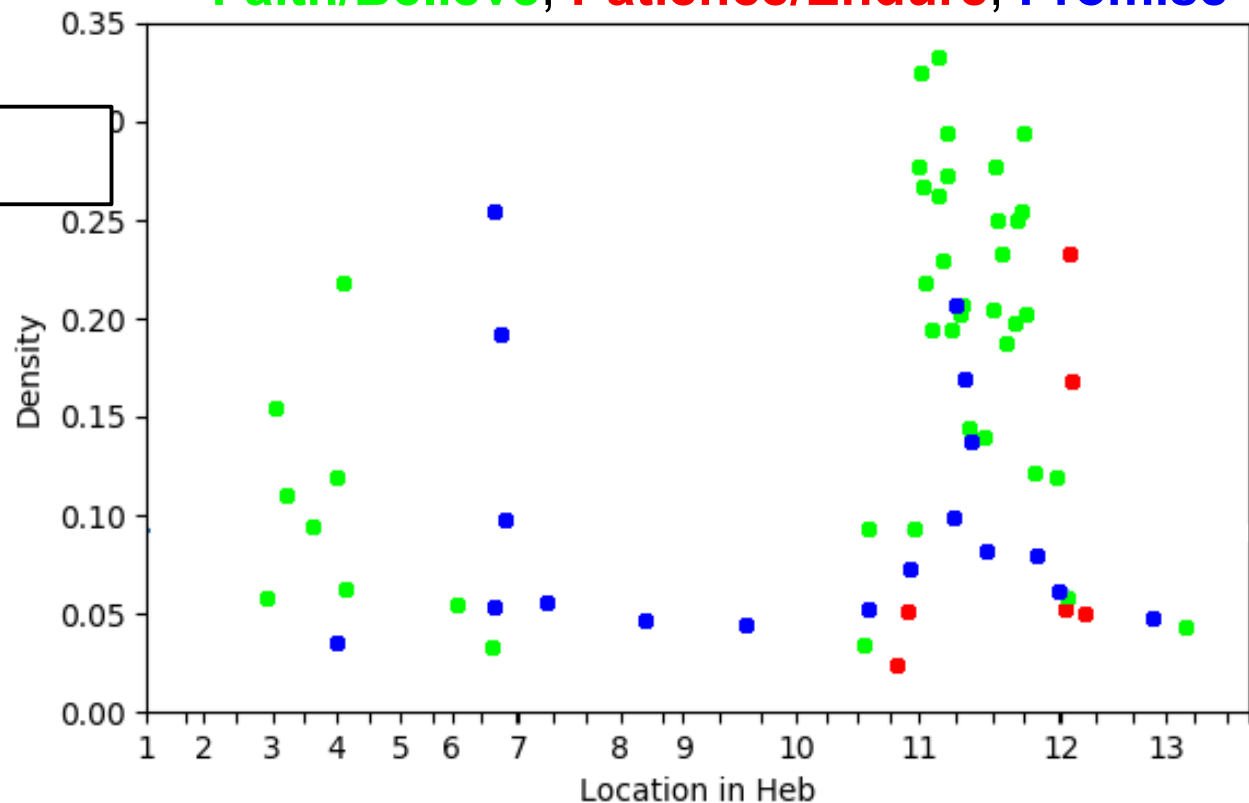
12:1-24, Exhortation (imperative)

- 1-2, The final witness

- 3-11, Consider Jesus

- 12-24, Consider one another

Faith/Believe, Patience/Endure, Promise



# Different Kinds of “of” (2/29)

“of” indicating **source** (“from”):

Gal. 5:22 But the **fruit of the Spirit** is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

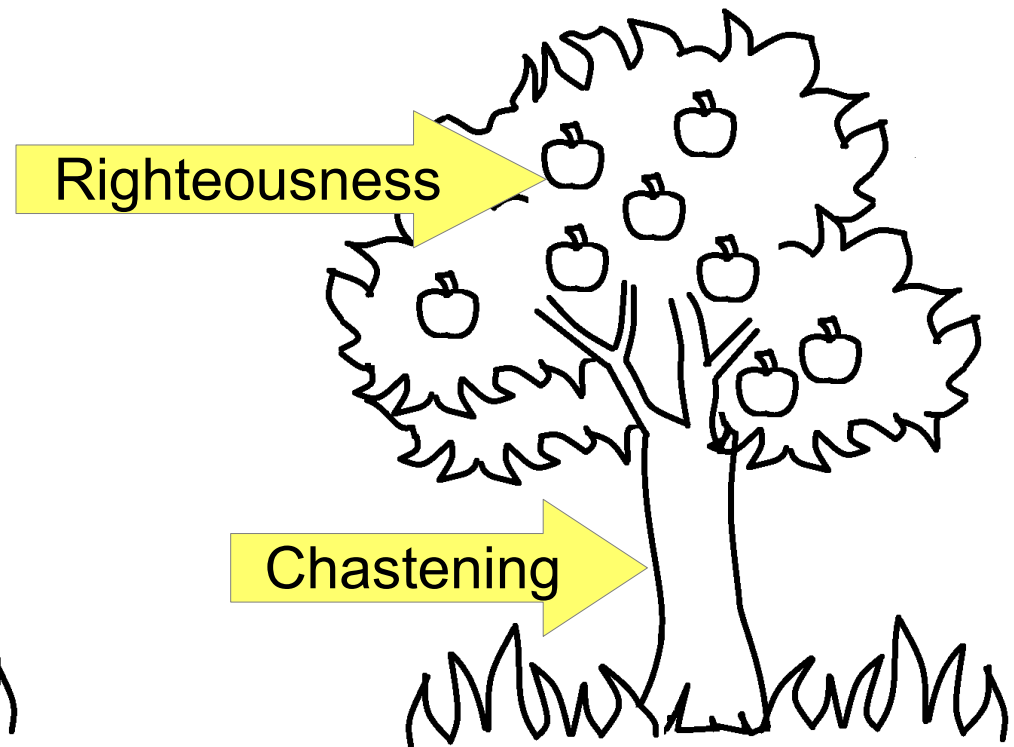
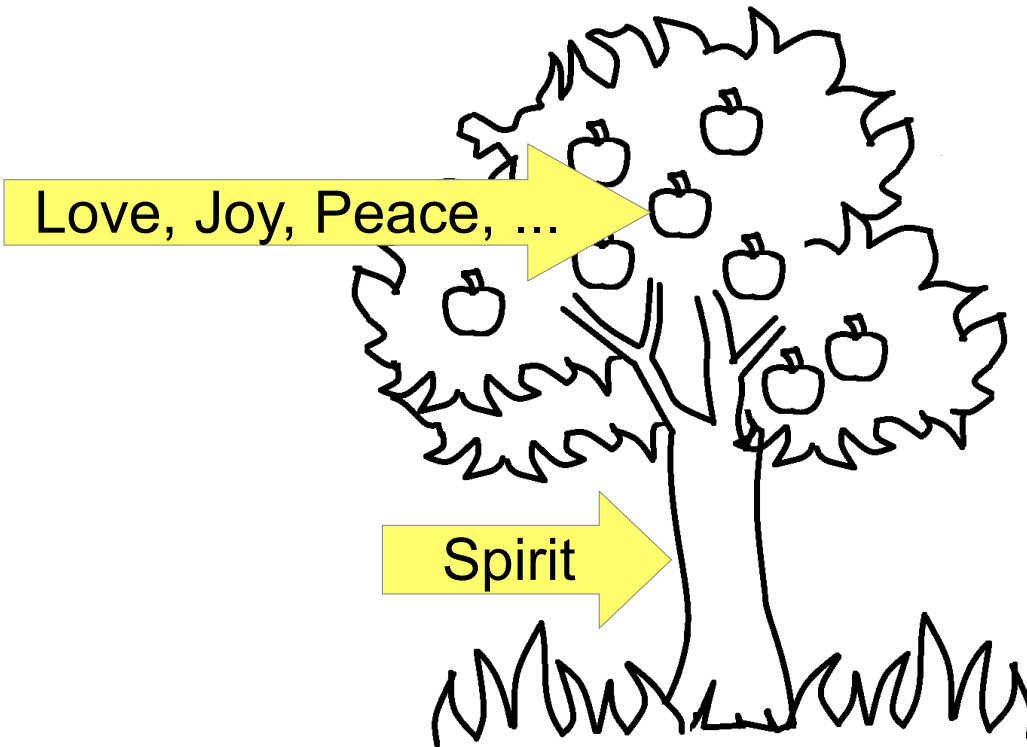
Gen 3:3 But of the **fruit of the tree** which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

“of” indicating **definition** (“that is”):

Heb. 12:11 the peaceable **fruit of righteousness**

Rom. 4:11 And [Abraham] received the **sign of circumcision**

1Sam. 15:23 For rebellion is as the **sin of witchcraft**



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# When do we expect “the peaceable fruit of righteousness” ?

Psa. 72:7 (LXX) In his days shall **righteousness** spring up; and abundance of **peace** till the moon be removed.

Is. 9:7 Of the increase of his government and **peace** there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with **justice [righteousness]** from henceforth even for ever.

Is. 32:17 And the work of **righteousness** shall be **peace**; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.

Rom. 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but **righteousness**, and **peace**, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Is. 48:18 O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy **peace** been as a river, and thy **righteousness** as the waves of the sea:

# Echoes of Isaiah in Hebrews 12

Theme	Isaiah	Hebrews 12
Chastisement	ch. 28-33 six woes, mostly on Israel	vv. 5-11
Encourage the lame	35:3 Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm the feeble knees.	12 Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees
Expect healing	35:6 Then shall the <b>lame</b> man leap as an hart	13b lest that which is <b>lame</b> be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.
A helpful highway	<p>35:8 And <b>an highway</b> shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those:</li> <li>• the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein.</li> <li>• 9 No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon,</li> </ul>	13a And make <b>straight paths</b> for your feet, ← Prov 4:26 (LXX)

# Who Builds the Highway to Zion?



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Is. 40:3 The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, **Prepare ye the way** of the LORD, make straight in the desert a **highway** for our God.

Is. 57:13 he that putteth his trust in me shall possess the land, and shall inherit my holy mountain; 14 And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ye up, **prepare the way**, take up the **stumblingblock** out of the way of my people.

Is. 62:10 Go through, go through the gates; **prepare ye the way** of the people; cast up, cast up the **highway**; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the peoples.

1 Cor 8:4 As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one. 5 For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,) 6 But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.

7 Howbeit there is not in every man that knowledge: for some with conscience of the idol unto this hour eat it as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled. 8 But meat commendeth us not to God: for neither, if we eat, are we the better; neither, if we eat not, are we the worse.

9 But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a **stumblingblock** to them that are weak. 10 For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weak be emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols; 11 And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died? 12 But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ.

13 Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

# Removing Stumbling-blocks

Rom 14:13 Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a **stumblingblock** or an occasion to fall in his brother's way.

