

## Royal Redeemer Going Deeper Guide

Based on the sermon for November 21, 2021:  
*The Things we do for Love: The Cloud of Witnesses*

For personal reflection or for use as a devotion with  
CGS Community or family



- **CONNECT** *with each other*

1. How will Thanksgiving this year be different than last year for you and your family?

- **GROW** *in Christ*

*Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. 37 They were put to death by stoning; they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated— 38 the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground. 39 These were all commended for their faith, yet none of them received what had been promised, 40 since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect. 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 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he 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 sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.*

### **Hebrews 11:36-12:3**

1. Today you stand on the shoulders of people who have sacrificed in many ways to allow you to enjoy the blessings of your life today. Who are some of those people?
2. Read Hebrews 11. Who are the people discussed in this chapter?
3. 11:39 says none of these people received what had been promised. What was the promise?
4. 11:40 says they did not receive the promise because God had a greater purpose, one that benefitted you and me. What was God's greater purpose?
5. How are we called to respond to the Cloud of Witnesses around us?
6. What is your dream for ministry at Royal Redeemer?

- **SERVE** *others*

*Is there someone you know who will be alone on Thanksgiving? Can you invite them in?*

- **End with Prayer, the Lord's Prayer, or a short Blessing.**