## Follow Me / Bring Others – Pathways to Discipleship – Week 3 PASSING THE BATON: POLYCARP ON DISCIPLESHIP Hebrews 12:1-3

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**Introduction:** Discipleship is a long-distance relay. It can't be accomplished alone; it spans generations; and as in actual relays, it doesn't matter how fast you run if fumble the "hand-off."

After looking to Jesus and Paul in prior weeks, we'll focus today on the "hand-off" to the next generation of Christian leaders through a man named Polycarp. The goal, however, is not merely to learn church history, but to be motivated to run the race of faith anew by learning the lessons and hearing the cheers from our "great cloud of witnesses" (Heb. 12:1).

## NOTES