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The FAITH we need
 The CORRECTION we need
 The STRENGTH we need

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HEBREWS 12:2-3 (NIV)

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our 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.



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HEBREWS 12:4 (Message)

In this all-out match against sin, others have suffered far worse than you, to say nothing of what Jesus went through—all that bloodshed! So don't feel sorry for yourselves.



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Japanese writing

母	の	日
Mother	+	Day
=	母の日	
	Mother's Day	

花	+	火
Flower		Fire
=	花火	
	Fireworks	

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信 FAITH 仰
 (believe, trust) (look up, seek)
 = 信仰
 FAITH

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Genesis 15:5-6

“God says to Abraham, ‘**look up** at the heavens and count the stars – if indeed you can count them’. Then he said to him, ‘So shall your offspring be’. Abraham **believed** the Lord and it was credited to him as righteousness.”



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“Faith is a living, daring confidence in God’s grace, so sure and certain that someone would stake their life on it a thousand times.”

Martin Luther



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Hebrews 12:5-11 (Message)

Have you forgotten how good parents treat children, and that God regards you as *his* children?
 My dear child, don’t shrug off God’s discipline, but don’t be crushed by it either.
 It’s the child he loves that he disciplines;
 the child he embraces, he also corrects.

God is educating you; that’s why you must never drop out. He’s treating you as dear children.



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This trouble you’re in isn’t punishment; it’s *training*, the normal experience of children. Only irresponsible parents leave children to fend for themselves. Would you prefer an irresponsible God? We respect our own parents for training and not spoiling us, so why not embrace God’s training so we can truly *live*? While we were children, our parents did what *seemed* best to them. But God is doing what *is* best for us, training us to live God’s holy best. At the time, discipline isn’t much fun. It always feels like it’s going against the grain. Later, of course, it pays off big-time, for it’s the well-trained who find themselves mature in their relationship with God.



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Claudia



Emma



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Hebrews 12:12-13 NIV

¹² Therefore, strengthen your **feeble arms** and **weak knees**. ¹³ "Make level paths for your feet," so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed.



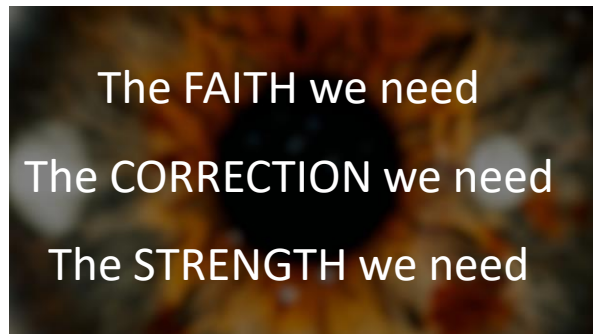
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Isaiah 35:3-4 (NIV)

Strengthen the feeble hands,
steady the knees that give way;
⁴ say to those with fearful hearts,
"Be strong, do not fear;
your God will come,
he will come with vengeance;
with divine retribution
he will come to save you."



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