

SERIES: "1ST THINGS 1ST – THIS IS WHAT WE DO"

MESSAGE: "WE ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER"

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God _____ us and _____ us to encourage one another

"Encourage each other." 2 CORINTHIANS 13:11 (NLT)

"Encourage each other and build each other up..."
1 THESSALONIANS 5:11 (NLT)

"Let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another..." HEBREWS 10:25 (NLT)

"⁵Then Moses and Aaron fell face down on the ground before the whole community of Israel. ⁶Two of the men who had explored the land, Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, tore their clothing. ⁷They said to all the people of Israel, 'The land we traveled through and explored is a wonderful land! ⁸And if the Lord is pleased with us, he will bring us safely into that land and give it to us. It is a rich land flowing with milk and honey. ⁹Do not rebel against the Lord, and don't be afraid of the people of the land. They are only helpless prey to us! They have no protection, but the Lord is with us! Don't be afraid of them!'" NUMBERS 14:5-9 (NLT)

"Encourage one another daily, as long as it is called 'Today,' so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness."
HEBREWS 3:13 (NIV)

We all get discouraged. What we do WITH IT and what it does WITH US will either make us or break us.

WHY IS ENCOURAGEMENT SO VITALLY IMPORTANT?

"Such things were written in the Scriptures long ago to teach us. And the Scriptures give us hope and encouragement as we wait patiently for God's promises to be fulfilled." ROMANS 15:4 (NLT)

"What an amazing gift we can offer to others through encouragement! When we 'en-courage', it's as though we actually infuse courage into another person. Encouragement can provide people with strength to look ahead, move forward, and reach for the next goal. The whole emotional tone of a tough situation can be transformed through encouragement." JULIE EXLINE, PH.D. PSYCHOLOGY TODAY

1. Encouragement is _____ and _____
2. Encouragement _____ and _____
3. Encouragement builds _____ and _____
4. Encouragement improves our _____ and helps us _____ our goals and our dreams
5. Encouragement makes life _____ and helps us _____
6. Encouragement changes _____ and _____

"Worry weighs a person down; an encouraging word cheers a person up." PROVERBS 12:25 (NLT)

Encouragement helps us do the things we might not ordinarily do or give up on prematurely.