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## HOPE

"Anticipating a future that's better than the present."

## **BECOMING A HOPE BUILDER**

## WHY?

Because \_\_\_\_\_ needs what Jesus has to offer and He wants to use us to make Him known!

"If someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it." 1 PETER 3:15

"God knows that we need people. And Jesus shows us how important community is in the story of the paralyzed man."

ADAM WEBER

"Sometimes, we limit what God can do through a friendship. Thankfully, God has given us fellowship with other believers to strengthen our faith and help us walk through life's challenges." MAX LUCADO

"There is nothing on this earth to be prized more than true friendship." SAINT THOMAS AQUINAS

## WE ALL NEED HOPE BUILDERS IN OUR LIFE...

• Who see the \_\_\_\_\_ when we see the obstacle

"You don't have enough faith,' Jesus told them. 'I tell you the truth, if you had faith even as small as a mustard seed, you could say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it would move. Nothing would be impossible."

MATTHEW 17:20

"So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin. So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most." HEBREWS 4:14-16

Who challenge our \_\_\_\_\_ when our vision is distorted

"I am the Lord, who opened a way through the waters, making a dry path through the sea. I called forth the mighty army of Egypt with all its chariots and horses. I drew them beneath the waves, and they drowned, their lives snuffed out like a smoldering candlewick. But forget all that—it is nothing compared to what I am going to do. For I am about to do something new. See, I have already begun! Do you not see it? I will make a pathway through the wilderness. I will create rivers in the dry wasteland." ISAIAH 43:16-19

"Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think." EPHESIANS 3:20

Who stimulate our \_\_\_\_\_ when we feel defeated

"Encourage each other and build each other up."

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11

"Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand." ISAIAH 41:10

• Who help us \_\_\_\_ what we can't do on our own

"A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken." ECCLESIASTES 4:12

"We should help others do what is right and build them up in the Lord." ROMANS 15:2