

iLife Together
The Calling To Encourage
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Grab This!

People who encourage well have great _____.

Key Thought of the Day

Encouragement provides _____ to influence our fellow Christians
_____ in their relationship with Jesus.

Key Verse of the Day

When we get together, I want to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours. Romans 1:12 NLT

The Power of Encouragement

- When we encourage others we _____ in Jesus' _____.

"Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am." John 14:1-3 NLT

"I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world." John 16:33 NLT

Jesus wants his followers to understand that even though it is difficult to live for Him
— _____!

The Power of Encouragement

- When we encourage others we help them _____ for Jesus.

We should keep on encouraging each other to be thoughtful and to do helpful things. Hebrews 10:24 CEV

We are to encourage each other toward _____ and _____.

The Power of Encouragement

- When we encourage others we deepen Christian _____.

And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near. Hebrews 10:25 NLT

When we get together, I want to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours. Romans 1:12 NLT

So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing.
Dear brothers and sisters, honor those who are your leaders in the Lord's work. They work hard among you and give you spiritual guidance. Show them great respect and wholehearted love because of their work. And live peacefully with each other.

Brothers and sisters, we urge you to warn those who are lazy. Encourage those who are timid. Take tender care of those who are weak. Be patient with everyone. See that no one pays back evil for evil, but always try to do good to each other and to all people. Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.

Do not stifle the Holy Spirit. Do not scoff at prophecies, but test everything that is said. Hold on to what is good. Stay away from every kind of evil. 1 Thessalonians 5:11-22 NLT

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 2 Timothy 4:7

We Are To Encourage... So encourage each other and build each other up...

1. Those who _____ among us.

Dear brothers and sisters, honor those who are your leaders in the Lord's work. They work hard among you and give you spiritual guidance. Show them great respect and wholehearted love because of their work. 1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 NLT

We Are To Encourage... So encourage each other and build each other up...

2. Those who are _____ in their faith.

Brothers and sisters, we urge you to warn those who are lazy. 1 Thessalonians 5:14a

"I know all the things you do, that you are neither hot nor cold. I wish that you were one or the other! But since you are like lukewarm water, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth! You say, 'I am rich. I have everything I want. I don't need a thing!' And you don't realize that you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked. So I advise you to buy gold from me—gold that has been purified by fire. Then you will be rich. Also buy white garments from me so you will not be shamed by your nakedness, and ointment for your eyes so you will be able to see. I correct and discipline everyone I love. So be diligent and turn from your indifference." Revelation 3:15-19 NLT

We Are To Encourage... So encourage each other and build each other up...

3. Those who are _____ in their faith.

Encourage those who are timid... 1 Thessalonians 5:14b NLT

Grab this!

Encouraging those who are disheartened is perhaps the most _____ that you can do!

Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep. Romans 12:15

The Mini Community Challenge

Who here is disheartened and how can I encourage them?

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4. Those who are _____.

Take tender care of those who are weak. 1 Thessalonians 5:14c NLT

Healthy Encouragement Includes:

- Practice _____. VS. 14d
- Seeking only to do **GOOD**. VS. 15
- A _____ approach. VS. 16
- Always involves **PRAYER**. VS. 17
- Expresses _____. VS. 18
- Actively seeks the leading of the **HOLY SPIRIT**. VS. 19

The Bottom Line

Christian Communities that practice _____ are healthy, biblical and effective.

The Challenge

How can you lead a life of encouragement?