

ENCOURAGEMENT ...

LifeApps: "Encouragement is Everything"

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JESUS said: *Therefore everyone who **hears these words** of mine and **puts them into practice** is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.* Matthew 7:25

JAMES said: ²² *Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.* James 1:22

KEY VERSE: *Therefore **encourage** one another and **build each other up**, just as in fact you are doing.* 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Encouragement. *Parakaleo.:* exhort, implore, exhort, inspire, give joy, raise one's confidence, to give courage, to bring comfort to

build each other up. *oikodemeo.* bringing to completion, as in moral strength or one's conscience.

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- **...Is A Gift From God:**

⁵ *May the God who gives endurance and **encouragement** give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had,* Romans 15:5

⁴ *For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. ⁸ **if it is to encourage, then give encouragement;** if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.* Romans 12:4-8

¹⁶ *May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us **eternal encouragement** and good hope,*

¹⁷ *encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.* 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

- **Gives Boldness for Ministry.**

*Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and **encourage**—with great patience and careful instruction.*

2 Timothy 4:2

Preach = to make known

- **Gives Hope To Endure.**

⁴ *For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the **encouragement** they provide we might have hope.* Romans 15:4

- **Should be Given Freely to One Another.**

*When the uproar had ended, **Paul** sent for the disciples and, **after encouraging them**, said goodbye and set out for Macedonia. ² He traveled through that area, speaking many words of encouragement to the people, and finally arrived in Greece, ³ where he stayed three months.* Acts 20:1-3

after encouraging them: earnestly support a response or action

¹² *See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. ¹³ But **encourage one another daily**, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.* Heb 3:12-13

harden. to become stubborn, inflexible.

How I Can Give Courage to Others:

Use Words: *Anxiety weighs down the heart, but a kind word cheers it up.* Proverbs 12:25

Use Actions: *Do not withhold **good** from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to act.* Proverbs 3:27

Do to others as you would have them do to you. Luke 6:31