

ONE-ANOTHERING

STUDY GUIDE

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Chapter 1

Cheer On Your Team

Scriptures

Hebrews 3:13

Hebrews 10:25

Additional References

Romans 12:6-8

Jude 17-21

1. What is the meaning of *exhort*?
2. Does the Scripture command exhorting (encouraging) one another?
3. Is it a command to be taken seriously?
4. Should it be taken less seriously than the Scriptural command to “lie not one to another”?
5. When should exhorting (encouraging) others be expressed?
6. Are there those in the church with an extra measure of the gift to give encouragement?
7. If that is not a gift that comes freely for you, should you be cultivating it more in your daily contacts with others?
8. Hebrews 3:13 admonishes believers to “exhort one another daily.” The reason for daily exhortation is so others do not become “hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.” How does encouraging others (exhorting) keep them from being hardened toward God through sin?
9. Notice the opening remarks in Paul’s letters to the churches. Examples: Colossians, Philippians, Thessalonians. He used words of encouragement and affirmation.
10. Share how someone has encouraged you with a word of affirmation similar to what Paul used in Scripture.
11. Discuss ways to make this a practice of your life.

12. Why is regular meeting together a priority for the believer in today's busy world? (Hebrews 10:25)
13. Do you know someone that you should admonish in being more faithful to Christ and the church?
14. If so, do you have an "acceptance base" established? Or would that person have little to lose in the relationship by ignoring your plea?
15. Six suggested ways of giving encouragement are:
 - a. Speech
 - b. Handshake
 - c. Compassion
 - d. Acts and deeds
 - e. Smiles
 - f. Prayer
16. Discuss practical ways to encourage others with your speech.
17. Are your handshakes serious expressions—or "just" a ritual you perform?
18. How do you cultivate compassion and understanding in order to give encouragement?
19. As the day of Christ's return draws nearer, believers face many spiritual battles. What acts or helps can we give one another to encourage victory?
20. Does smiling communicate?
21. How vital is prayer in passing on encouragement?
22. There are three reasons given why we need to encourage others.
 - a. Discuss ways to encourage others to a right relationship with God.
 - b. Discuss ways to encourage others to be "rooted and grounded in love."
 - c. Encouraging others to a meaningful life work is important. Discuss practical ways of encouraging others in that direction.

23. How important is it to give encouragement by our life?

EXAMPLE: It will be hard to encourage someone to read the Scriptures, if we are not Bible readers ourselves.

Memory Verse: Hebrews 3:13