

THE ONE ANOTHERS:

Experiencing God Together [Sermon Summary]

Encourage One Another

Hebrews 10:19-25

Introduction

We serve a God who cares for us, and He has called us to care for one another. One of the ways we do that is by encouraging each other. The Christian life is not always easy, and even the greatest of God's saints have to fight discouragement at times. The role of the encouraging Christian is to edify or build up their brothers and sisters in Christ – cheering them on in their walk with the Lord and offering hope and inspiration.

Getting Started

- 1. What one point resonated with you from this week's sermon?
- 2. The Word of God can be wonderful encouragement! Share a passage of scripture with your group that has encouraged you.

Let's Get Personal

- 1. If the truth be told, many of us have had to fight times of discouragement, weariness in our journey, or simply feeling tired. Share a time when you have felt discouraged in your walk with Jesus Christ.
- 2. The goal of encouragement is to edify or build up someone. What are practical ways in which you can encourage one another?
- 3. Far too many Christians don't do a good job of building each other up, but they do an amazing job of tearing each other down. Which kind of Christian are you? Why?
- 4. Encouragement, likewise, involves the act of speaking the truth in love. (Ephesians 4:15) *What does this mean to you? How does a Christian tell someone the truth in a loving way?*

Take the Next Step

- 1. In order to encourage one another, God's people have to be in reasonable proximity to one another. Consider the people with whom you live, work and/or encounter at church. Who does God bring to mind for you to encourage?
- 2. Group Challenge! Choose to encourage another member of your group this week. Call to pray with someone, text a scripture, mail a card...take the time to care!

Renew Your Mind

"Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing."

1 Thessalonians 5:11