

“THE IMPORTANCE OF ENCOURAGEMENT”

Note the pattern in These Verses:

1 Thess. 5:11 “_____ one another and _____ one another up...”

1 Thess. 5:14 “...encourage the _____...”

Heb. 3:1 “...But encourage one another _____...”

Heb. 10:24 & 25 “..._____ one another on...and encourage one another”

Eph. 4:29b “say only what is helpful for _____ according to their needs...”

Become a Builder of People!

1. Why should we become an encourager or builder of people?
2. How do we encourage and build people up?
 - a. By giving _____.
 - b. By _____ our faith.
 - c. By _____ for or with someone.
 - d. By focusing on another’s strengths and praising those strengths directly and _____.
 - e. By _____.
 - f. By _____.
3. Be _____ and discover ways you can be a builder of people.

Encouragement

I saw them tearing a building down,
A gang of men in a dusty town.
With a “yo heave ho” and a lusty yell,
They swung a beam and the side wall fell.

I asked the foreman if these men were as skilled
As the men he’d hire, if he were to build.
He laughed and said, “Oh, no indeed”
Common labor is all I need.”

For those men can wreck in a day or two,
What builders had taken years to do.
I asked myself as I went my way,
Which kind of role am I to play?

Am I the builder who builds with care,
Measuring life by the rule and square?
Or am I the wrecker, who walks the town,
Content with the role of tearing down?

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