

Series: LIFE APPS
 Part 5: "THE ENCOURAGEMENT APP"
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²⁴ Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.

Matthew 16:24-25 (NIV)

Biblical Encouragement is helping someone reach their _____ -

Ways We Encourage Each Other:

- We _____ Each Other Against Sin
(Hebrews 3:13)
- We Help Each Other _____ Our Faith
(Hebrews 10:24-25)
- We Build Each Other Up Through Our _____
(Ephesians 4:29)
- We _____ Each Other of What Jesus Did for Us
(1 Thessalonians 5:10-11)

²⁶ When he came to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he really was a disciple.

²⁷ But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. He told them how Saul on his journey had seen the Lord and that the Lord had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had preached fearlessly in the name of Jesus. ²⁸ So Saul stayed with them and moved about freely in Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the name of the Lord.

Acts 9:26-28 (NIV)

Three Marks of Great Encouragers:

1. Encouragers see a person's _____, not their _____

²² News of this reached the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. ²³ When he arrived and saw what the grace of God had done, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. ²⁴ He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.

Acts 11:22-24 (NIV)

²⁵ Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul, ²⁶ and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.

Acts 11:25-26 (NIV)

2. Encouragers don't mind taking a _____ instead of the _____

Because we loved you so much, we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well.

1 Thessalonians 2:8 (NIV)

3. Encouragers offer genuine _____, not just _____

Closing Challenge:

- Who Are You _____ ?

Name: _____

- Who Are You _____ ?

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