

Oct. 31, 2021

Gathering for Encouragement

Hebrews 10:24-25 | Acts 15:39 | Psalm 30:5 | Matthew 24:10-13

SPUR ONE ANOTHER ON

Hebrews 10:24 | Acts 15:39

- Spurring someone on is not a PASSIVE action.
- It is easy to get DISCOURAGED and too DANGEROUS to journey alone

DON'T GIVE UP

Psalm 30:5

- Life is a MARATHON, not a SPRINT
- We gather together because that's who we ARE

DO IT MORE, NOT LESS

- We should spend MORE time with other believers as we grow in our faith
- We need to spend more time acting like LIONS, not less.

Life Group Questions

- 1) Why is it important to not give up meeting together as Hebrews 10:24 says?
- 2) There was persecution that caused some to give up meeting together. If we live with the expectation that the day of Jesus return is coming then giving support and receiving encouragement are all the more important. Are there any examples today of persecution that causes Christians to 'throw away their trust' in God (Hebrews 10:35)?
- 3) The early church placed great importance on gathering and fellowship. Is this something that has seen it's day and is no longer relevant to the church today? How do we encourage and provide opportunities to come together as a growing church in a post-truth culture?

On Your Own

The richness of community among first-century believers gives us a worthy model for Christians today.

This week read these scripture passages that emphasize the importance of gathering together and what to do when we get together.

Acts 2:42-46

Acts 4:32-35

1 Peter 1:22

1 Thessalonians 4:9

Ephesians 2:19

1 Timothy 3:15

Galatians 6:10

Hebrews 13:1-2

Philippians 2:1-3

Only through authentic relationships with other believers can we live out the faith we profess and become all that God has destined us to be—when we do not give up meeting together with other Christians.

12 Christ gave those gifts to prepare God’s holy people for the work of serving, to make the body of Christ stronger. 13 This work must continue until we are all joined together in the same faith and in the same knowledge of the Son of God. We must become like a mature person, growing until we become like Christ and have his perfection.

Ephesians 4:12-13 NCV

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PRAYER REQUESTS

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