

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing."

--1 Thess.5:11





- 1.to inspire with courage, spirit, or confidence:
- 2.to stimulate by assistance, approval, etc 3.to promote, advance, or foster



—*Synonyms* embolden, hearten, reassure, urge, support, aid, stimulate, spur on





The Importance

♦ It is the Need of our Day



"No one cares for my Soul"

--Ps. 142:4, David



"But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.



The Importance

- ♦ It is the Need of our Day
- ♦ It is the Unique Priority of God



2 Thess 2:16,17

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

The Importance

- ♦ It is the Need of our Day
- ♦ It is the Unique Priority of God
- ♦ It is the Aim of the Bible & Bible



Rom 15:4 For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. (NIV)

Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage-with great patience and careful instruction. (NIV))



WHY? Encourage One Another

The Importance

- ♦ It is the Need of our Day
- ♦ It is the Unique Priority of God
- ♦ It is the Aim of Bible Teaching
- ♦ It is a Purpose of God's People





Encourage each other with these words (NIV)



1 Thess 5:14

And we urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone." (NIV)



Romans 12:6,8

We have different gifts, according to the grace given us...if it is encouraging, let him encourage;
(NIV)



The Importance

◆It is an Opportunity to Begin a Never Ending Process



Eccl. 11:1

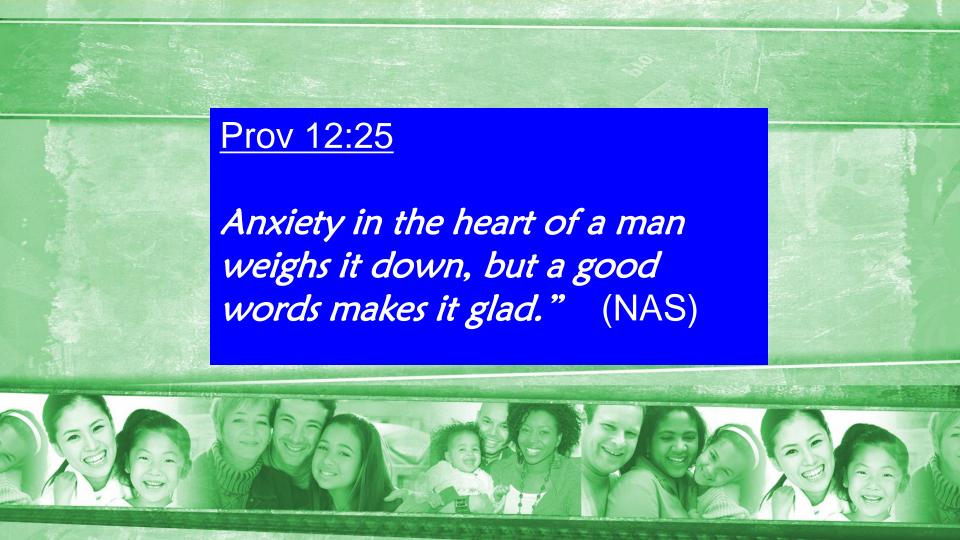
Cast your bread upon the waters for you will find it after many days (NIV)

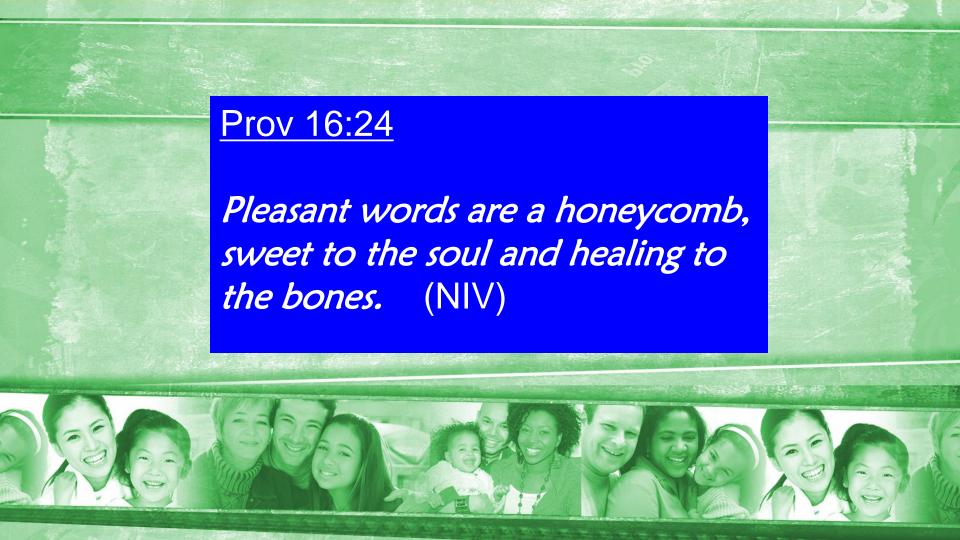


3 Ways We Are Encouraged

♦ By What We Hear







HOW? Encourage One Another

3 Ways We Are Encouraged

- By What We Hear
- ♦ By What We Read
- ♦ By What We Sense



Eccl. 3:5

There is a time to embrace.

Rom 16:16

Greet one another with a holy kiss.

Acts 20:37

They all wept as they embraced him and kissed him.



WHO? Encourage One Another

♦ You!

- **♦ Elders**
- **♦ Deacons**
- **♦ Preachers**
- **♦ Teachers**
- **♦ Parents**
- **♦ Young People**

- **♦** Aged
- **♦ Weak**
- **♦ New Christians**
- ♦ Sick & Shuts-ins
- ◆ Death in Family
- **♦ Personal Trials**



Heb 10:25

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing...but let us encourage one another..."

