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"Encouragement" sermon notes

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" ENCOURAGEMENT "

Phrasology

Meaning: To inspire with courage
----- confidence-hope-----
To stimulate by assistance
----- approval -----

Vocabulary

Handshake for a job well done.....
cheer -- hearten-- comfort --urge....

Everyone has an influence over others....
Courage -- confidence --hope
retard -- oppose -- hinder

Because of mans weakness he needs encour-
agement-----help from other sources!.....

God recognized this need and supplied
"Encouragement" to those in the O.T.

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(Gen. 21:9-21)
Ishmael the son of Abraham by Hagar (16
Sarah complains to Abraham.....
Hagar and Ishmael "Cast Out"

Homeless-helpless, a child in the wildern
vs. 16

"Let me not see the death of the child.
----lifted up her voice and wept..."

vs. 17

"What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not ;
for God hath heard the voice of the
lad where he is..."

Gal. 3:29

God eyes were on this lad--because Abrahah
God's eyes are on you--because Christ...
cast-out wilderness sin, homeless, etc.

(X) (Gen. 28:10-17)

Jacob sent to secure wife (Rachel)

The daughter of Laban--bro. *Sarah* *Rebecca*

Left home--suffering hardship--trial---

A friendless & unprotected man....

vs. I2:---"Ladder set up from earth,
reaching into heaven"

vs. I5:----"For I will not leave thee,
until I have done that which I have
spoken to thee of....."

Encouragement : (Rom. I5:4) (Heb. I3:5)

"Let your conversation be without ----"

1. Our ladder set upon the earth...

no man can be Christian--separate
from his kind..... preparatory...

2. Ladder "Son of God" attempt to approach God otherwise -failure & disappointment....

3. Here is our "communication Line"

Christ and the Church ---

(John 5:44-45)(Col. I:18)(Eph. I:20-23)

(X) (Joshua I:9)

"Have not I commanded thee?" be
strong and of good courage; be not afraid
, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord
thy God is with thee whithersoever thou
goest....."

Have not I commanded thee?

(Phil. 2:13) To will & to do his good pleasure.

Be Strong:

Mind----- (Phil. 2:5) let this mind

Spirit--- (Rom. 8:9) you are not in F

Brave---- (Phil. 4:13) I can do all

The secret of courage-----

To know we have some power.....

(Joshua 1:9) (I Cor. 6:19-20)

Our weaknesses guarded against--become
our strength, and our best lessons ;

if we heed them, are our mistakes.....

We need to know ourselves-----Jesus ...

The thinking of Paul:

(2 Cor. 12:9)

"My grace is sufficient for thee"

"My spiritual strength is sufficient, for
it is only by means of conscious weakness
that perfect power is developed..."

(10) -----for it is when I am consci-
ously weak that I am really strong..."

(Ac. 27:22-23 -31)

Except these abide in the ship, ye
cannot be saved.....

----- these the sailors-----

Preacher -(example of believer)(I Tim. 4:12)

Elder-(lead-direct-set example)(I Pet. 5:2)

Deacon & member --Encourage by their Faith

"No loss of any life among you." Ac. 27:22

GOD ENCOURAGES MEN TO-DAY

(Matt. II:28-30) (Eph. I:7)

(Matt. IO:30) hair of head numbered

(Matt. IO:31) not a sparrow falls

"Reach up as far as you can, and God will reach down all the way."

WE SHOULD ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER:

Christ set the Example:

(Isa. 61:1-3) R.S.V.

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me, to bring good tidings to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; to grant to those who mourn in Zion - to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified."

(1 Pet. 2:21)

(Heb. 5:9)(Lk. 6:46)(Matt. 7:21)-----

(I Cor. 6:19-20) you bought with a price

(2 Cor. 12:9) grace sufficient

(Ac. 27:31) abide in ship.....

TO THOSE HAVING TRIBULATION (trouble)

(John 16:33)

In the world ye shall have tribulation
:but be of good cheer; I have overcome
the world."

Prov: 2 Cor. 1:4

trouble - affliction - sorrow...

Issued out of measure - departed even of life
KEEP YOUR FAITH: *Tim. 1:12* *Car. 1:8*

Christ our hope ---- (John 16:33) *4:8* *7:5*

In trouble -- find character -- friends..

(I John 2:18) world passeth --
to-morrow the sun will shine.....

Rev. 21:4 - Tears - death - sorrow - crying -

THE STRONG NEED TO ENCOURAGE THE WEAK:

Moses encouraged the -- (Israel)

All leaders should desire to

"Inspire the People"

All of God's giants have been weak men
who did great things for God because
they reckoned on His being with them.

A people afraid they were about to die,
didn't want to come anyway....

(Ex. 14:12) (13-14)

Paul ---- Moses:

(Heb. II:26-27)

He had respect for the recompence
of reward ---- for he endured, seeing Him
who is invisible.....

Church is growing

(Matt. 14:27) 5000 fed. 2 fish few lea
Ship in the mist of the sea...half.
tossed with waves---had been all night
Wind was against them (could not turn)

On the brink of human endurance--give up
Jesus walking on sea--terrified-ghost..

"Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid."

Here is someones life....

Life not always sunshine..(storm)
waves are tossed--winds against you...

family difficulties---business reverses
temptations--criticism--death love one

KEEP OUR FAITH: ENCOURAGEMENT.

faith is light in the storm.....

Hagar--cast off (God hath heard the voice
of the lad where he is.) *What air is there* *2 Pt 1:7*

Your Ladder--Jesus Christ (communication
line is not down) (Heb. 13:5)

(Matt. 9:1-8)

(Mk. 2:1-12) (Lk. 5:17-26)

Four men -Paralytic-sick because of sin..

loving-forgiving men-- roof top-
(Mt. 9:2) seeing their faith (both)

"Be of good cheer----take up thy bed
and walk...."

We can bring (sick) to Jesus (Jesus) sick.
(Deut. 33:25-27)

Shoes for road-rocky-flinty
thy days & strength grow together

Means of healing-body-soul (Jas. 5:16)

Not only the (sick) but (our own).

(Matt. 25:36) (40) (43) (45)

Do no evil - Not one solitary thing

THE WEAK SHOULD ENCOURAGE THE STRONG:

Moses told Israel to encourage Joshua...
(Deut. 1:38)

Joshua the son of Nun, which standeth
before thee, he shall go thither;
encourage him: for he shall cause Israel
to inherit it.."

(Deut. 3:28) encourage him.....

Jesus craved sympathy: encouragement.
(Matt. 26:40)

What could ye not watch with me
one hour ?

Leaders: encourage them - sympathy

No leader so strong that he can get
along without it....

In view of conditions exist--grateful lea

OLD ENCOURAGE THE YOUNG:

(David encourages Solomon I King 2:1-4
(Paul - Timothy --- (2 Tim. 1:2)

YOUNG ENCOURAGE THE OLD:

(Eph. 6:1)

(Prov. 10:1)

A wise son maketh ^a glad father

These are the things that keep men alive

Without them-commit suicide.....

ENCOURAGE OURSELVES:

Danger in self-pity..don't expect too much of others.....

(I Cor. 14:20)

Brothers, stop being children in intelligence, but as to evil keep on being babies, and yet as to intelligence be men.

(I Cor. 13:11) when I was a child, I talk

(Matt. 10:16)

Listen, I am sending you out as sheep surrounded by wolves. So you must be sensible like serpents and guileless like doves.....

Mistreated--never missed--bottom man

David:

1 Sam 30:16

People spoke of stoning him..... but David encouraged himself in the Lord.

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Strengthen himself in the Lord his God

(Matt. 11:28-30)(Eph. 1:7)

Gal. 3:26-27