

One Another

ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER

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SERMON NOTES

¹²See to it, brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. ¹³But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called 'Today,' so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. **Hebrews 3:12-13**

Review: God has called us to a very different standard of living when it comes to our relationship with other people.

Worlds System
eye for an eye, tooth for a tooth
forgive & forget
rejection

God's System
forgiveness
forget & remember what Christ
did for us on the cross
acceptance

The health of our relationship vertically is measured by the health and maturity of our relationships horizontally

A familiar rule from the World's System: Mind your own business!

Encourage one another means get involved

Your spiritual business is somebody else's spiritual business. I haven't called you to mind your own business, I've called you to mind one another's business because I don't want anybody to get into this trap of slowly drifting from God.

Everyone has the potential to drift. And the responsibility to keep one another from drifting is a group thing.

Behind the trap is the deceitfulness of sin

The purpose of encouragement/warning is that none of you may be trapped by sin's deceitfulness.

Encourage means to appeal, to beg, to urge, to exhort.

To do this is always awkward. But, it's part of your role in the Body of Christ. You're not called to be a lone ranger Christian. We're connected so that leads me to ask you two questions.

1. What Christian do you know that has started down that path?

2. Who in your circle feels free and empowered to come rushing in when they see you beginning to drift?

Summary: Keep your eyes open for others, keep your life open to others, and keep your heart soft toward God.