

## Encouraging the Redeemed

### Hebrews 3:12-13

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Parakaleó = “to call to or for, to exhort, to encourage”

### Hebrews 3:1

*1*Therefore, holy brothers, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, the apostle and high priest whom we confess.

From this verse (3:13), what would you say that the purpose of “encouraging one another daily” is?

### Acts 28:15

<sup>15</sup>The brothers there had heard that we were coming, and they traveled as far as the Forum of Appius and the Three Taverns to meet us. At the sight of these men (“the brothers”) Paul thanked God and was **encouraged**. (or took courage)

### Romans 1:11-12

<sup>11</sup>I long to see you so that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to make you strong— <sup>12</sup>that is, that you and I may be **mutually encouraged** by each other's faith.

To “be mutually encouraged” comes from “sun” and “parakaleó”

### **3 John 1:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>The elder, To my dear friend Gaius, whom I love in the truth. <sup>2</sup>Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well. <sup>3</sup>It gave me great joy to have some brothers come and tell about your faithfulness to the truth and how you continue to walk in the truth. <sup>4</sup>I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

### **2 Corinth 7:4, 12-13**

<sup>4</sup>I have great confidence in you; I take great pride in you. **I am greatly encouraged**(paraklēsei); in all our troubles my joy knows no bounds.

<sup>12</sup>So even though I wrote to you, it was not on account of the one who did the wrong or of the injured party, but rather that before God you could see for yourselves how devoted to us you are. <sup>13</sup>By all this **we are encouraged**.

### **1 Thess 3:7-8**

<sup>7</sup>Therefore, brothers, in all our distress and persecution **we were encouraged** (parakaleó) about you because of your faith. <sup>8</sup>For now we really live, since you are standing firm in the Lord.

### **Philemon 1:7**

Your love has given me great joy and **encouragement** (parakaleó), because you, brother, have refreshed the hearts of the saints.

### **Matt22:14**

*Many are called but few are chosen*

### **Titus 1:9**

*He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage (parakalein) others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.*

### **Rom 15:4**

*For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement (paraklēseōs) of the Scriptures we might have hope.*

### **Matt 20:25-28**

*<sup>25</sup>Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. <sup>26</sup>Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, (diakonos: minister) <sup>27</sup>and whoever wants to be first must be your slave (doulos: bondservant)— <sup>28</sup>just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."*

### **1 Thess 5:11**

*Therefore encourage (parakaleite) one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.*

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What things do you find encouraging spiritually – what really encourages you?

What ways do we think we could encourage others? Remember the “others” are the “Holy brethren” (Heb 3:1).

## **Summary**

- We learned that we should be encouraging one other daily
- That those whom we are to encourage are the “Holy brethren” (3:1)
- We are encouraged by the love and faith of others, even in times of persecution
- Sound doctrine and the scriptures also encourage us
- When we are encouraged it helps us not to be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin

**Our next meeting is on Wed 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm**