

ENCOURAGING WORDS FOR DISCOURAGING DAYS

STRENGTHENING YOUR GRIP ON ENCOURAGEMENT

HEBREWS 10:19–25



The Heart of the Matter

People attend church for all sorts of reasons. One reason common among most believers is that church attendance affords us an opportunity to worship God. While that is certainly one of the reasons Christians should attend church, there is at least one other: We attend church because it allows us the opportunity to encourage others. The Bible teaches us that we are to come alongside others that they might be encouraged. For when we seek to encourage and help others, we engage in the same ministry as God Himself (John 14:16–17).



Discovering the Way

1. Our Position before God (Hebrews 10:19–21)

When we become Christians, God provides us the confidence to approach Him because of the work of His Son, who gives us access to the Father in heaven.

2. Our Responsibility before God (Hebrews 10:22–25)

As a result of our faith in Christ, we should draw near to God in prayer, hold fast to His promises, and consider how we might encourage others toward love and good deeds.



Starting Your Journey

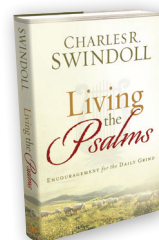
As we seek to become a people who encourage, we must be available to others and initiate our encouragement of others.



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