

Encourage One Another

WEEK 8

How Did It Go?

Would anyone like to share about how God showed up in the last week?

Read Aloud

Passage for this week: 1st Thessalonians 5.1-11.

Head (15–20 minutes)

OBSERVE THE TEXT AND THE AUTHOR'S MAIN POINTS

- Is there anything from this passage that stands out as surprising or confusing?
- What does it mean to be "children of the light", as the author writes in verse 5?
- Discuss the author's call in verse 11; what does it mean to "build one another up"?

Heart (15–20 minutes)

ENVISION HOW THE TEXT—WHEN APPLIED—MIGHT TRANSFORM YOUR INNER LIFE IN TERMS OF YOUR THOUGHTS, ATTITUDES, AND BEHAVIORS

- Share a time where someone's thoughtful encouragement made a significant impact on you.
- What are some ways you practice "building up" others in the Body of Christ?

Hands (10 minutes)

APPLY THE TEXT BY MOVING FROM INWARD REFLECTION TO OUTWARD ACTION LOOKING FOR WAYS TO LIVE THE TEXT OUT IN OUR LIVES TO SERVE OTHERS

- What sort of things might you need to give up, in order to better encourage and build up the People of God in your life?
- Application Opportunity What are some habits your small group might create to better practice encouragement and building one another up?

