

I Thessalonians 5:14-15

Be Patient with People

Points to Consider

1. We need to warn the unruly
2. We need to comfort the fainthearted
3. We need to uphold the weak
4. We need to look out for all people

We need to _____ those who are unruly

1 Thess 5:14-15; 2 Thess 3:6-12

Christians need to _____ and provide for their families. Anyone who doesn't do this should be warned.

If those warnings go unheeded, we should _____ associating with them until they start living right.

Prov 13:11-12; Prov 28:19-20 - We should warn people _____ to take shortcuts to become wealthy.

Wealth isn't accumulated over night. It takes hard _____ and _____.

Prov 22:7-9 - We also need to warn people not to _____ and take on too much debt.

We need to _____ the fainthearted

John 11:17-19 - Many of the Jews comforted Martha and Mary when Lazarus _____.

1 Thess 2:10-12 - Paul, Silas and Timothy exhorted, _____ and charged the Thessalonians as a father does his own children.

2 Thess 3:13 - Verse 13 says that we should not grow _____ in doing good.

We need people who specialize in finding the fainthearted and providing them rest and time to _____.

Deut 20:8-9 - Fainthearted people don't need a battle; they need a _____.

In addition, those who are engaged in a battle don't need fainthearted people to discourage them.

A faint heart can be very _____.

2 Sam 21:15-17 - When David was _____ tired, his men took over and defeated the Philistine giants.

In the days of Gideon 22,000 out of 32,000 men were afraid and were sent home.

1 Sam 30:21-25 - David made it a law that those too weary to go to battle would still be part of the _____ if they protected the supplies.

We need to _____ the weak

The word uphold means to hold on to or _____ to.

We are to hold tightly to the weak, knowing they are easy **prey** for Satan.

Deut 25:17-19 - One technique that Satan uses is to do what the Amalekites did and focus on _____ the weak.

Rom 15:1-2 - The spiritually strong do not use their faith or knowledge to hurt those who are weak but to _____ those who are weak.

We need to look out for all people

1 Thes 5:15 *See that no one renders evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good both for yourselves and for all.* NKJV

Matt 5:38-48 - Instead of rendering evil for evil, Christ wants us to go the _____ mile.

1 Cor 9:19-23 *For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win the more; 20 and to the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might win Jews; to those who are under the law, as under the law, that I might win those who are under the law; 21 to those who are without law, as without law (not being without law toward God, but under law toward Christ), that I might win those who are without law; 22 to the weak I became as weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some. 23 Now this I do for the gospel's sake, that I may be partaker of it with you.* NKJV

Paul was patient with all men eagerly trying to _____ to everyone so he could save some.

Heb 10:23-25

We need to _____ one another and encourage one another to love and serve others.