

Wyoming Baptist Church
April 2021

Daily Devotional
for Sermon Series



a study of the "one anothers" of Scripture

Week 10: April 19-23

"Admonish one another"

The following series of daily readings, questions, and prayers has been designed by Pastor Tom Cullen to lead up to the sermon for the coming week. There are five daily studies for each week. Allow about 15 minutes a day to complete each daily devotional. This is not to take the place of any devotional you may now be doing but only is a supplement.

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Sermon Schedule
Members of one another

April 25 - Admonish one another (Matthew 18:15-17)

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Sermon Series Devotional Guide

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"Admonish one another"

Congratulations, you did it! You have come to the end of our study of the "one anothers" of Scripture. Believe it or not, we didn't have time to cover them all! I trust that you will take the time to search out the other statements and endeavor to put them into practice.

In this final week we study a statement that is made throughout Scripture but especially in Romans 15:14, "Now I myself am confident, my brethren, that you also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another."

The Greek word for "admonish" speaks of correction, of warning. Admittedly, this may seem like a strange injunction to practice in a loving community. How is it loving to correct another? But the truth is, true love is willing to take the risk and correct another who is in sin. As Gene Getz writes, "There is no greater sign of love than to be willing to risk rejection and broken relationships with others. And if admonishment is done in the right spirit, with the right motive, using the appropriate method, the person who is not living a life worthy of the Gospel of Christ usually senses the risk you are taking."¹

Monday April 19

Read

❖ Colossians 1:28,29

Study

1. Who is the one that we are proclaim?

2. What do you think it means to admonish another with all wisdom?

3. What does Scripture say is the goal of admonishment?

Reflect

Admonishment does not mean that we go around looking for faults in others. No, it must be done with the proper goal. Today, we discovered that the objective is to help others become more mature in Christ. So reflect ... when you admonish another do you do so out of the desire, not to tear them down or embarrass them, but to build them up and become mature in the faith?

Pray

❖ Lord speak to me, that I may speak in living echoes of Thy tone; As Thou has sought, so let me seek Thy erring children lost and alone.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach the precious things Thou dost impart; And wing my words, that they may reach the hidden depth of many a heart.

O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow, In kindling tho't and glowing word, Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me, just as Thou wilt and when and where; Until Thy blessed face I see, Thy rest, Thy joy Thy glory share."²

For our church:

- ❖ Two weeks from today we welcome Rev. Eric Campbell as our new interim pastor. As he gives himself fully to the work of the Lord pray that he would continue to stand firm, letting nothing move him, "*knowing that his labor in the Lord is not in vain.*" (1 Corinthians 15:58)

Tuesday April 20

Read

- ❖ Romans 15:14

Study

1. What two qualifications made the Roman Christians competent to instruct one another?

2. The Roman Christians were "full of goodness". Read Matthew 7:3-5. How do Jesus' words help you understand, "full of goodness"?

3. The Roman Christians were “filled with knowledge”. According to 2 Timothy 3:16 what knowledge is essential in order to admonish another?

Reflect

It may be that none of us can say that we are “full of goodness.” But the truth remains that if you are deliberately violating the Word of God you really can’t effectively admonish another. You must first deal with the sin in your own life. Do it today, reach out for help if needed, but don’t put it off any longer. Deal with the sin in your own heart by repenting, confessing and getting help to walk in the way of righteousness.

Pray

- ❖ “Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.” (Psalm 51:2)

For our church:

- ❖ Give thanks to God for our visioning events this past month. Thank God for the joy we experienced in being together and dreaming about what God has in store for us as a church. Pray that we continue to depend on God to grant us a vision for ministry in Wyoming and beyond. Pray that God’s promise would be realized in us, “*In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.*” (Acts 2:17,18)

Wednesday April 21

Read

- ❖ Matthew 18:15-17

Study

1. In your own words describe the process Jesus outlines for correction.

2. What qualities do you think need to be present in the person who is “pointing out the fault”?

Reflect

- ❖ When you exhort or admonish another Christian do you do so reflecting deep love and concern? Or do you come across as harsh and abusive? Look up 2 Timothy 2:24-25, does this describe you?

Pray

For our church:

Pray for our pastoral search committee. Give thanks to God for their willingness to take on this task. Pray that

they would hear our Lord say to them, "Well done, good and faithful servant." (Matthew 25:23) May they know the truth, "I am the Lord your God who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you." (Isaiah 41:13)

Thursday April 22

Reading

❖ Acts 13:17-38

Study

1. Describe Paul's method of teaching in verse 20.

2. Describe Paul's manner of teaching in verse 31.

3. How do you think Paul's method and manner helped the Ephesians to receive the teaching/correction that he offered?

Pray

Allow this prayer to guide you in your prayers today:

O Lord Jesus Christ, forgive me for the times when I have forgotten your risen presence for ever with me.

Forgive me for times when I failed in some task, because I did not ask your help.

Forgive me for times when I fell to some temptation, because I tried to meet it myself.

Forgive me for times when I was afraid, because I thought that I was alone in the dark.

Forgive me for times when I was driven to despair, because I was trying to fight the battle in my own unaided strength.

Forgive me for times when I said and did things which now I am ashamed to remember that you heard and saw.

Forgive me for times when death seemed very terrible, and the loss of loved ones beyond all bearing, because I forgot that you have conquered death.

May I hear you again say, I am with you always, to the very end of the age and may we find courage and strength in that promise to meet all things.³

This I ask for your loves' sake. Amen.

For our church:

- ❖ Pray for our church as we go into the spring season . Pray that God will knit us together so that we can raise our praise to him with one voice. Pray that our vision will be clear and our witness to Christ, faithful.

Friday April 23

Read

- ❖ Acts 2:42-47

Study

1. In our last study I want us to focus on this wonderful picture of the early church. We know that things weren't always like this (Read the book of Corinthians and you'll see that there was also turmoil in the church). But, we have this picture to show us what can be. What qualities described in Acts 2 would attract you to this church?

2. What "one another" principles do you see in play in this text?

3. What qualities do you see replicated in Wyoming Baptist? What qualities are missing from Wyoming Baptist?

Pray

"All to Jesus I surrender,
All to him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him,
In His presence daily live.
