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Sierra Community Church August 4th, 2013-Dan Wilvers



Part 8:

Don't Mind Your Own Business

“See to it dear brothers and sisters that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily as long as it’s called today so that none of you may hardened by sins deceitfulness.” Hebrews 3:12-13

Encourage means to :

3 Keys To Working In Other People's Lives.

1. Be _____.

My dear friends, if you know people who have wandered off from God's truth, don't write them off. Go after them. Get them back and you will have rescued precious lives from destruction and prevented an epidemic of wandering away from God. James 5:19,20 The Message

2. Be _____.

But I *am* saying that you shouldn't act as if everything is just fine when a friend who claims to be a Christian is promiscuous or crooked, is flip with God or rude to friends, gets drunk or becomes greedy and predatory. You can't just go along with this, treating it as acceptable behavior. I'm not responsible for what the *outsiders* do, but don't we have some responsibility for those within our community of believers?

1 Corinthians 5:10,11 The Message

"The human body has many parts but the many parts make up only one body. So it is with the body of Christ. We are all parts of His one body and each of us has different work to do. Since we are all one body in Christ we belong to each other and each of us needs all of the others."

1 Corinthians 12:12 Romans 12:5

Live creatively, friends. If someone falls into sin, forgivingly restore him, saving your critical comments for yourself. *You* might be needing forgiveness before the day's out. Stoop down and reach out to those who are oppressed. Share their burdens, and so complete Christ's law. If you think you are too good for that, you are badly deceived.

Galatians 6:1-3 The Message

Our Objections:

1. It's Awkward!

2. Who Am I to speak up in someone else's life?

"Do not judge, or you too will be judged. 2 For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you 3 "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? 4 How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? 5 You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye. Matthew 7:1-5

3. Be _____.

"Wounds from a friend are better than many kisses from an enemy."
Proverbs 27:6

"As iron sharpens iron so one man sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

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