

## BE A BRINGER

“40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus....” John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

“Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;....” I Samuel 12:23a

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## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Denise Carter | Ukraine



### PRAISE

- For the baptism of Olga and Alonya.
- For two summer camps and oppurtunities to share the Gospel.
- For a successful brain surgery to remove a tumor for Denise’s brother-in-law.
- For faithful prayer support.

### PRAY

- Pray for Andrew, Sasha and Nadiya that recently came to know Jesus.
- Pray for the young teens in Denise’s discipleship growth.
- Pray for wisdom to reach pre-teens.
- Pray for leaders and workers to reach out with the Gospel.
- Pray for the war in Ukraine and especially the winter months.
- Pray for the evangelistic outreach during the Christmas season, we will be prepari a Christmas program this year.
- Pray for God to provide end of the year gifts to make these ministries possible.



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Study Date: 06/16/24

## Encourage One Another

Fellowship in the life of a believer should be both vertical and horizontal. The importance of taking time to commune in private with our Heavenly Father cannot be sufficiently emphasised, but also our horizontal fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ is also of vital importance, and should not be ignored or dismissed.

We are in the world but we are not of the world. However, we are surrounded on every side by the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and the pride of life, and Christians that choose to forsake joining together with other believers in Christian fellowship (as the Body of Christ), isolate themselves from the encouragement, exhortation, correction, and reproof of their brothers and sisters in Christ.

Solitary believers are in serious danger of being entrapped by the wiles of Satan or being deceived by false teachings. They are endangering their spiritual growth and encouraging spiritual regression by leaving their first love, falling into unbelief, disbelief, or discouragement. They are in danger of becoming lukewarm, disinterested, or legalistic in their faith, or succumbing to carnality and falling short of their high calling in Christ Jesus. And so we are exhorted not to forsake assembling together as the Body of Christ, but motivating one another towards godly love and good works, and encouraging each other in our Christian walk. And this should happen all the more as we see the day of Christ's return drawing ever closer.

This is a general exhortation for all believers to be faithful in attending their local church assembly, in order to participate in brotherly encouragement, strength, support, edification, spiritual nourishment, biblical teaching, and the joy of sharing fellowship with like-minded believers. However, it is also a warning against apostasy, for to forsake godly fellowship and a biblical worldview is a recipe for adopting secular support and embracing a worldly mindset.

Sadly, this verse is often used in some unscrupulous denominations and Christian communities to insist that church attendance is legally binding on their members, which places their whole congregation in bondage to man-made legalism. But Christ Himself promised that when two or three were gathered together in His name, He would be there in their midst.

Let us do all we can to ensure that we do not forsake our assembling together as the Body of Christ, as is the habit of some believers, but rather let us take every opportunity to meet together with like-minded brothers and sisters in Christ for mutual strength, support, edification, and encouragement so that we can give and receive spiritual nourishment and sound biblical teaching together with like-minded believers.

And this is all the more important, as we see the day of Christ's return drawing ever nearer.

Resource: [dailyverse.knowing-jesus.com](http://dailyverse.knowing-jesus.com)

## KEY VERSE

Hebrews 10:25 (NKJV)

*“not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.”*

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## WEEKLY READINGS

### Monday: Hebrews 10:19-21

#### Encourage One Another As A Family

1. Paragraphs 1 and 2 on pg. 1 discuss “solitary believers” and Christians that forsake the assembly of the church. What are the dangers of this practice?
2. By what act are we enabled to have the “*boldness to enter the Holiest.*” By whose blood has “*the veil*” been pierced making us children of God?

### Tuesday: Hebrews 3:13; I Thessalonians 5:11

#### Encourage One Another Daily

3. We are to “*exhort one another daily*” according to Hebrews 3:13. What fate do we expose ourselves to if we don’t make this our regular practice?
4. “*Therefore comfort each other and edify one another*” is the command I Thessalonians 5:11 gives us. Have YOU obeyed it this week?

### Wednesday: I Corinthians 13:13; Hebrews 10:22-24

#### Encourage One Another To Grow Spiritually

5. In I Corinthians 13:13 what is revealed as the greatest of “*the three*”?
6. Hebrews 10: 22-24 introduces us to the ways that we are called to grow spiritually. What are these three specific areas according to the scripture?

### Thursday: Hebrews 10:25; Psalms 122:1; Col. 4:7-8; Eph. 6:21-22

#### Encourage One Another In Assembly

7. Hebrews 10:25 calls us to an essential practice as believers to “*assemble ourselves together*” How diligent are YOU in doing this every week?
8. In Colossians 4:7-8 Paul sends Tychicus to “*tell all the news*” about his ministry. How specifically does Tychicus serve the people when he arrives?
9. When was the last time you encouraged someone to go to church?

### Friday: Pro. 18:21; Eph. 4:29; Pro. 12:25; Pro. 16:24; Pro. 25:11

#### Encourage One Another Verbally

10. Proverbs 18:21 states: “*Death and life are in the power of the tongue.*” What impact has this biblical truth had on your communication?
11. Ephesians 4:29 tells us to speak only “*what is good for necessary edification.*” How does it make you feel when others lift you up?
12. What message should we take in as the collective meaning of Pro. 12:25, Pro. 16:24 and Pro. 25:11? What are all 3 of these verses teaching us?