

Spurring On One Another

Spurring on one another to love and good deeds. Hebrews 10:24-25

We _____ **one another** to _____ or to _____.

(22, 23, 25 – see reverse side for review of context)

Vital Functions of **one anothering**:

1. _____ **one another.**

- Defined: *para*, _____ + *oxynein*, to prod as an _____
- **How?**
 - _____ – *Do not quit meeting...* 10:25
 - _____ – *Remember those who led... imitating their faith* 13:7
 - _____ – *...discipline...strengthening...healed* 12:11f.

2. _____ **one another.**

- Defined: *para*, _____ + *kaleo*, to _____
Compare to the *Paraklete* of God and the Greek army.
- **How?**
 - _____ to one another – *beside* cf. 3:12-13

*Take care brethren lest there should be in any one of you an evil, unbelieving heart, in **falling away** from the living God. **But encourage** one another day after day as long as it is still called today, lest any one of you be **hardened** by the **deceitfulness** of sin.* Hebrews 3:12-13

- _____ one another – *exhort, encourage, call to, call out*
- _____ up for and with one another

“(God) works on us in all sorts of ways. But above all, **He works on us through each other.** Men are mirrors, or ‘carriers’ of Christ to other men. Usually it is those who know Him that bring Him to others. That is why the Church, the whole body of Christians showing Him to **one another**, is so important. It is so easy to think that the Church has a lot of different objects - education, building, missions, holding services ... The Church exists for no other purpose but to draw men into Christ...” C. S. Lewis

3. _____ **fast with one another.**

- Context, 10:23 – *Hold + down* = English “Hold down the...”
- Contrast, 10:25 – *Not _____ the _____*
 - *Forsake – to leave _____*
 - *Assembly – the spiritual and social center*

- How (to identify signs of forsaking the assembly and the *new living way*)
 - If I assemble for _____ rather than _____.
 - If I _____ as an outsider rather than _____ from beside.
 - If my life advertisement says: “ _____ I need.”

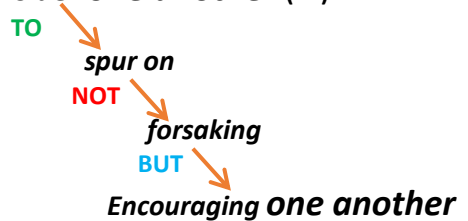
Challenge: Choose your _____ - _____ carefully!

- I'm living on the _____ of _____, _____, _____, _____?
- Castaway** – marooned, alone, no friend but Wilson my volleyball
- I choose to _____ to gain **margin from more** _____ & _____.

The contextual chain of connected commands

- Draw near 22
- Hold fast 23
- Consider one another! 24
 - to provoke (stimulate, spur-on) **one another** 25
(not forsaking assembling, but)
 - encouraging **one another**

“Let us: draw near (22), hold fast (23), consider one another (24)



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We **provoke one another to loving service** or to **abandonment**.

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Vital Functions of **one anothering**:

1. **Prod on one another.**

- Defined: *para, alongside* + *oxynein*, to prod as an ox
- **How?**
 - Meet – *Do not quit meeting...* 10:25
 - Model – *Remember those who led... imitating their faith* 13:7
 - Motivate – *...discipline...strengthening...healed* 12:11f.

2. **Encourage one another.**

- Defined: *para, alongside* + *kaleo*, to call
Compare to the *Paraklete* of God and the Greek army.
- **How?**
 - Get close to one another – *beside* cf. 3:12-13

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 - Call on one another – *exhort, encourage, call to, call out*
 - Stand up for and with one another

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3. **Hold fast with one another.**

- Context, 10:23 – *Hold + down* = English “Hold down the...”
- Contrast, 10:25 – *Not forsaking the assembly*
 - *Forsake* – to leave helpless
 - *Assembly* – *the spiritual and social center*
- How (to identify signs of forsaking the assembly and the *new living way*)
 - If I assemble for convenience rather than service.
 - If I provoke as an outsider rather than prod from beside.
 - If my life advertisement says: “I’m all I need.”

Challenge: Choose your island-community carefully!

- I'm living on the island of Castaway, Lost, Survivor, Gilligan?
- **Castaway** – marooned, alone, no friend but Wilson my volleyball
- I choose to simplify to gain **margin from more things & activities**.

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