



Devotional Thoughts :: Where do you turn for encouragement?!

Where do you turn for encouragement?! - posted by anonymity, on: 2010/6/9 16:25

I think this is a good word that has been emphatically on my heart for the last year or so. It's from David Wilkerson and it's like he repeated the exact things I've been thinking and sometimes sharing.

<http://www.worldchallenge.org/en/search/node/WHERE+DO+YOU+TURN+FOR+ENCOURAGEMENT%3F>

Re: Where do you turn for encouragement?! - posted by sojourner7 (), on: 2010/6/9 17:26

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Re: - posted by HeartSong, on: 2010/6/9 19:08

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We would change the world. Or rather, He would change it through us.

Re: - posted by anonymity, on: 2010/6/10 15:09

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It is true that it is often not done. One of the main facets of evangelism is to love one another and then they will know. It reminds me of Paul in saying of Israel how much more if they returned would it mean for the salvation of the world. We speak the truth, but how often in love. The hour is late and this needs to be done. Every single day as this life is so dangerous even. The main problem is that it is an issue of sacrifice, death, and servanthood. This always comes at a price. If we really loved in a true way with truth we would not need emergent tactics. The Gospel would not scare all away and we would not need to hide it or draw people with emergent trends. The Gospel would draw people emphatically at least to be sincere. Another thing though as the article points out. Is that we lack connection to God and strength in the inner man. So, we claw at men seeking encouragement. There always has to be a servant leader and that man has to go to God to get supply then come back to man to edify. Like Jesus said to Peter encourage your brothers. This was based on the fact that Jesus had encountered him. So, we need to learn to strengthen ourselves in God and not lean on the faith of pastors or great men of God or family or whatever so much. This is what Eldership is. Having a deeper supply in God to be a spiritual man and restore the backslider or ect.