



Encourage Like Tychicus
31st in the “Ephesians” Series
Ephesians 6:21-24
October 18, 2026
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Introduction

In this passage we conclude the book of Ephesians and learn about the ministry of encouragement.

The Text: Ephesians 6:21-24

1) Ephesians concludes like all ancient letters with a personal note and prayer of blessing.

2) Every Christian should participate in the ministry of encouragement (v. 22).

How should we participate in the ministry of Christian encouragement?

- Look for gospel fruit and offer encouragement that gives confirmation and support.
- Look for gospel needs and offer encouragement that gives hope and comfort.
- When giving encouragement, be specific and intentional.
- When receiving encouragement, be accepting and grateful.
- Pray that God would create a culture of encouragement at Hope Church.

Response

Lord, help us to have a ministry of encouragement to our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Sunday Text Questions

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Read the text aloud and discuss together any significant observations or issues needing clarification.

- 1) When has someone encouraged you in a way that was especially meaningful or helpful?
- 2) Although we cannot know how Tychicus encouraged the Ephesian Christians (v. 22), how do you imagine he might have done so? In what ways should we be regularly encouraging the Christians in our church?
- 3) The sermon defined Christian encouragement as highlighting the evidences of God's grace in a person's life? How is Christian encouragement God-focused and not mere flattery?
- 4) How can encouragement of gospel fruit in a person's life give them confirmation and support? How can encouragement also be used when a person is suffering and in need of hope and comfort?
- 5) Do you prefer to give encouragement or receive encouragement, and why? How can you grow as both a giver and receiver of encouragement?
- 6) Now that we have preached through the entire book of Ephesians, what has been impressed upon you the most? In what ways did Ephesians form the way you think or live?
- 7) Action Step: In your small group, spend a few minutes giving (and receiving) encouragement to one another. Go around and offer evidence of the work of God's grace in each other's lives and spend time praying for one another.

Further study this week: Passages related to the message of this week's text: Philemon 1:7 (Mon); 2 Corinthians 7:5-6 (Tues); 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 (Wed); 1 Thessalonians 5:11 (Thurs); Proverbs 12:25 (Fri).