

Scriptures to Savor

“At the Well” mentoring series

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What are we supposed to do?

...The older women [are] to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good. Then they can train the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands (Titus 2:3-5a, NIV)

Why bother?

...so that the Word of God will not be blasphemed. ...Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in the power of your hand to do so. ...And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. ...For who makes you different from anyone else? What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as though you did not? (Titus 2:5b, NIV; Proverbs 3:27, NJKV; Hebrews 10:24, NIV; 1 Corinthians 4:7, NIV)

What if we're shy, scared or somewhere in between?

Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and He will make your paths straight. (Proverbs 3:5-6, NIV)

What if we don't feel qualified?

“Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,” says the LORD of hosts. (Zechariah 4:6, NIV)

What if there's friction or I feel adrift? What if it's all just too hard?

I will cry out to God Most High, to God who performs all things for me. ...He who calls you is faithful, who also will do it. (Psalm 57:2, NJKV; 1 Thessalonians 5:24, NKJV)

What if I get hurt, or am still hurting from a past mentoring relationship?

See to it that ...no bitter root springs up to cause trouble and defile many. ...Be kind, one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ has forgiven you. (Hebrews 12:15, NIV; Ephesians 4:32, NKJV)

What is our model for mentoring/discipling?

...We were gentle among you, like a mother caring for her little children. We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us. Surely you remember, brothers, our toil and hardship; we worked night and day in order not to be a burden to anyone while we preached the gospel of God to you. You are witnesses, and so is God, of how holy, righteous and blameless we were among you who believed. For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children, encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory. (1 Thessalonians 2:7-12, NIV)

How to understand Scripture references

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