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L.I.F.T. Others Up 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Therefore, encourage one another, and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

"Resolve that all live for the glory of God. Resolve secondly, that whether or not anyone else does, I will."

What can YOU do to LIFT Others UP?

Look – Look around to see who might need lifting up.

Look for ...

- work pressure or income concerns
- relationship friction
- loss of a loved one
- health issues
- change in behavior
- hasn't been around at church recently

You can't control who looks around to help, but you can control whether <u>you</u> look around.

Initiate – take the first step to LIFT Others up.

Apply what you learned in SS and bible readings:

- <u>*Do*</u> to others what you would have them do to you.
- <u>*Do*</u> for others what they cannot repay you for.
- **Feel** Empathize with others to lift them up.

ASK:

- *How are you doing*, <u>really</u>?
- Is there something I can do?
- How can I pray for you?

Talk – Talk (or Text) with people to lift them up.

<u>Don't</u> ...

talk about yourself take sides (if it's a conflict) be the Savior

<u>Do</u>...

LISTEN! Ask questions that uncover the situation. Point them to the Savior.

Ask, Where is God in this? Is God growing you somehow?

Encouraging words of *spiritual truth*.

- You're in God's good hands.
- God will see you through this.
- I'm here for you. I got your back.
- Pray with them. You pray. Have *them* pray.

Application:

What will YOU do to move YOUR church toward how you'd like it to be?