



# The Ultimate Apologetic

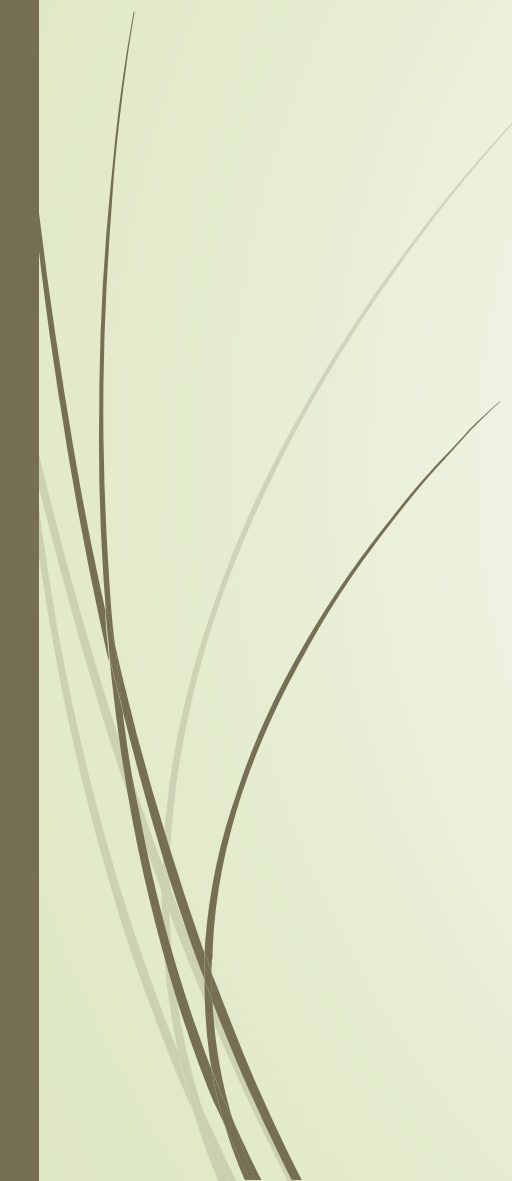
ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER

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1. God/Scripture
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## ROMANS 15:4-5

<sup>4</sup> For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the **Scriptures** and the **encouragement they provide** we might have hope. <sup>5</sup> May the **God** who gives endurance and **encouragement** give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus has.



## II THESSALONIANS 2:16-17

<sup>16</sup> May our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God our Father, who loved us and by His grace gave us eternal **encouragement** and good hope, <sup>17</sup> **encourage** your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

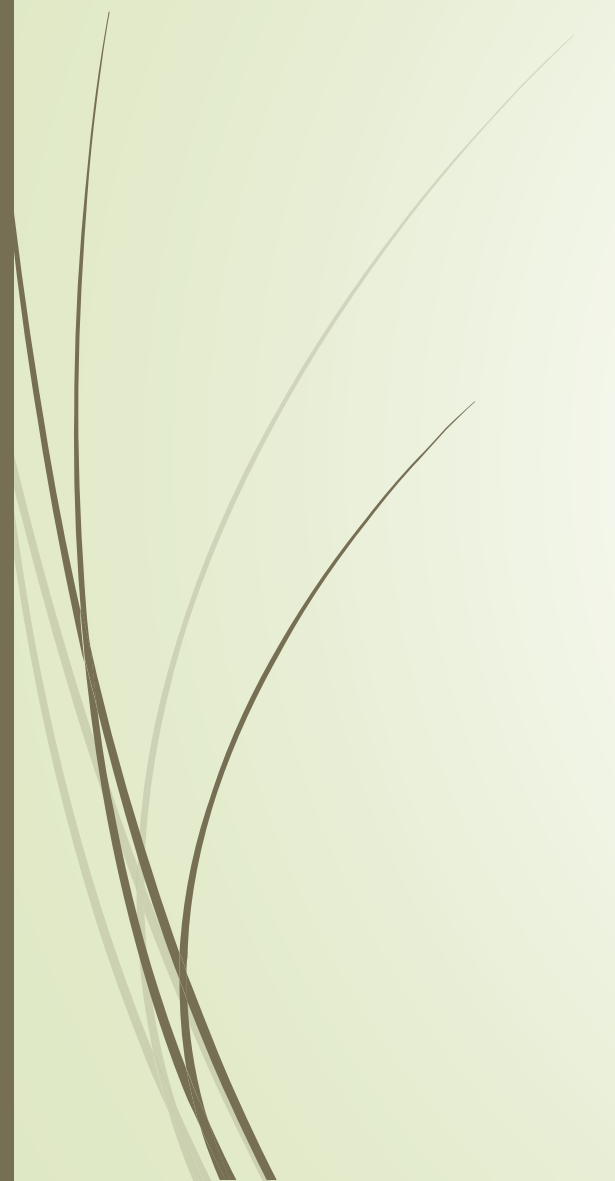


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1. God/Scripture
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1. To provide comfort
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# I THESSALONIANS 4:18

<sup>18</sup> Therefore **encourage** (comfort) one another with these words.





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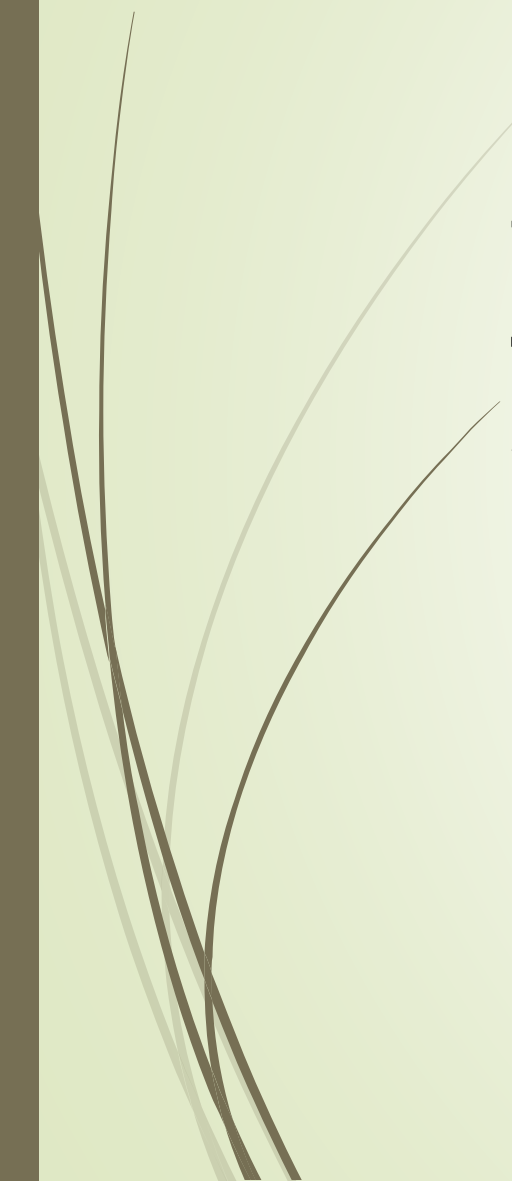
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## I THESSALONIANS 5:14

<sup>14</sup> And we urge you, brothers and sisters, warn those who are idle and disruptive, **encourage the disheartened (fainthearted)**, help the weak, be patient with everyone.





# WHY SHOULD WE GIVE ENCOURAGEMENT?

1. To provide comfort
2. To encourage the discouraged
3. To guard from sin



## HEBREWS 3:12-13

<sup>12</sup> See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. <sup>13</sup> But **encourage one another** daily, as long as it is called “today,” so that none of you may be hardened by sin’s deceitfulness.



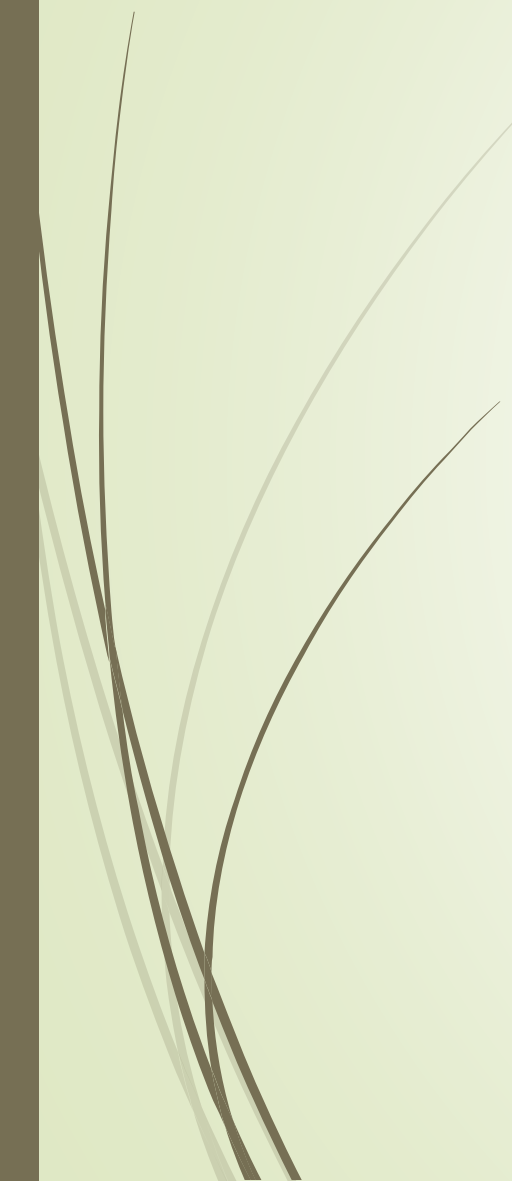
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## I THESSALONIANS 2:11-12

<sup>11</sup> For you know that we dealt with each of you as a father deals with his own children,  
<sup>12</sup> **encouraging**, comforting, and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into His kingdom and glory.





## I THESSALONIANS 3:1-3

<sup>1</sup> So when we could stand it no longer, we thought it best to be left by ourselves in Athens. <sup>2</sup> We sent Timothy, who is our brother and co-worker in God's service in spreading the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and **encourage** you in your faith, <sup>3</sup> so that no one would be unsettled by these trials.



## I THESSALONIANS 5:8-11

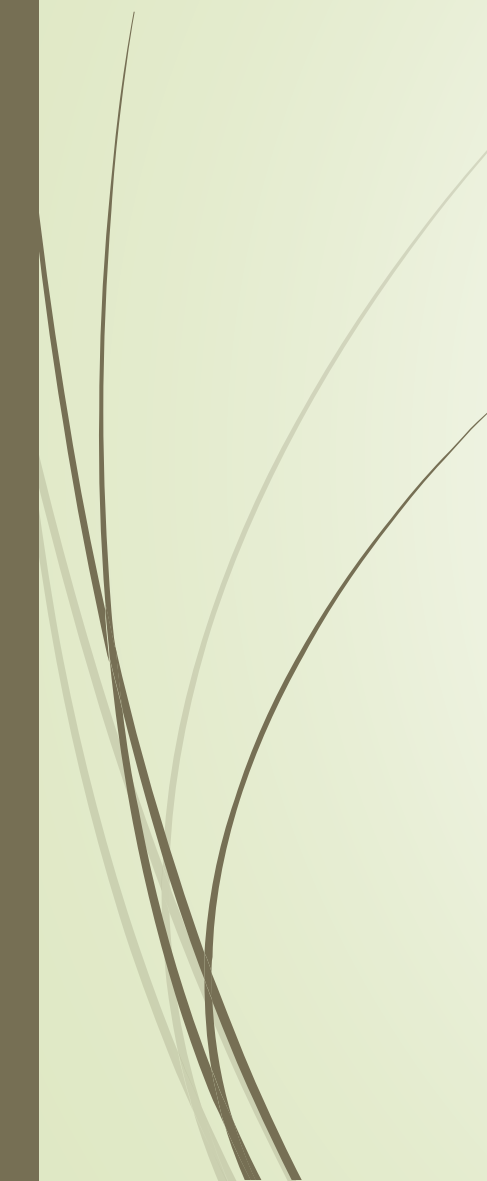
<sup>8</sup> But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith & love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet.

<sup>9</sup> For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath, but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>10</sup> He died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with Him. <sup>11</sup> Therefore **encourage one another** and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.



## HEBREWS 10:24-25

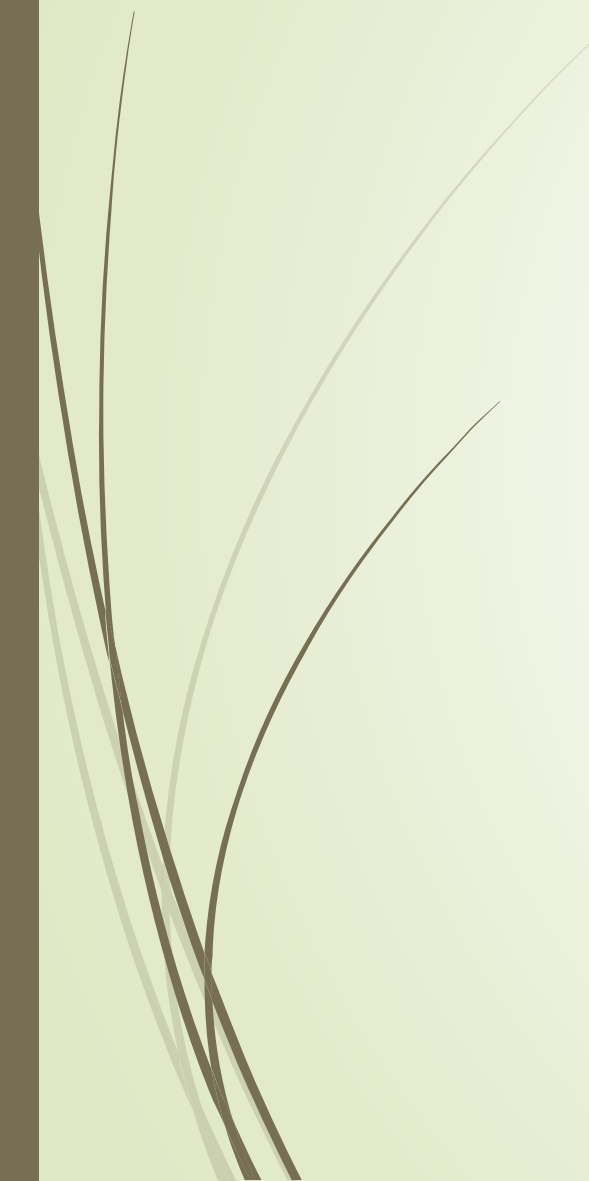
<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,  
<sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but **encouraging one another** — and all the more as you see the day approaching.







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  2. To encourage the discouraged
  3. To guard from sin
  4. To strengthen our walk of faith
  5. To encourage in normal daily living
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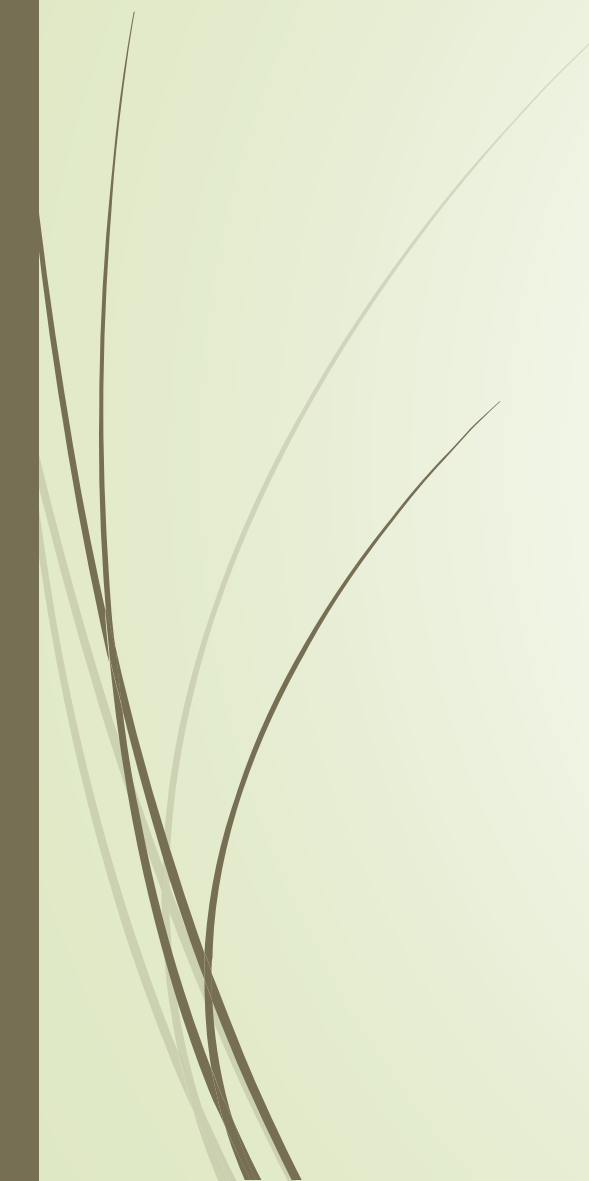


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  2. Actions/Assistance
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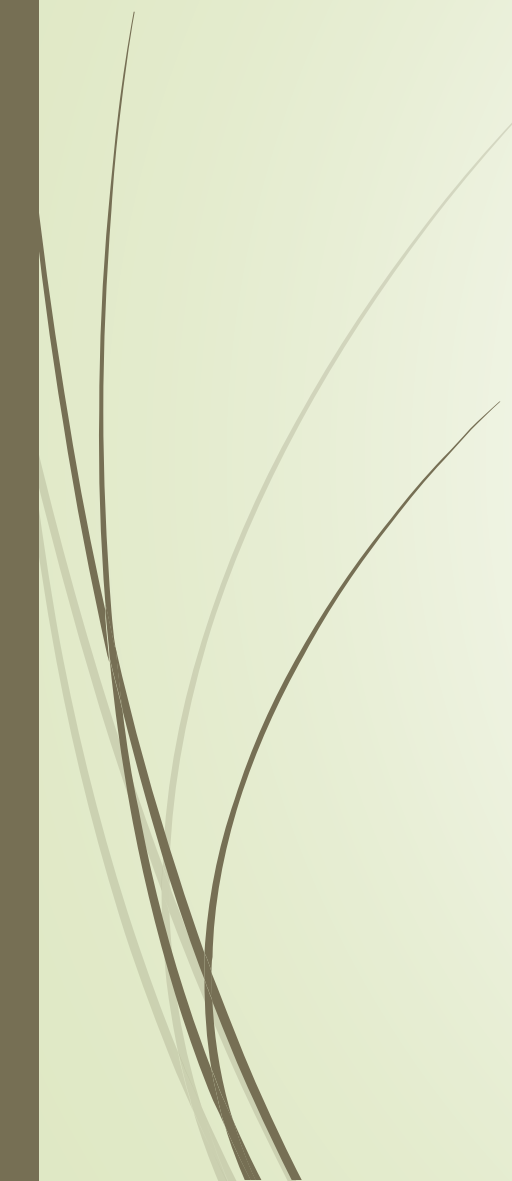
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## PHILIPPIANS 3:17

<sup>17</sup> Join together in following my **example**, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a **model**, keep your eyes on those who live as we do.



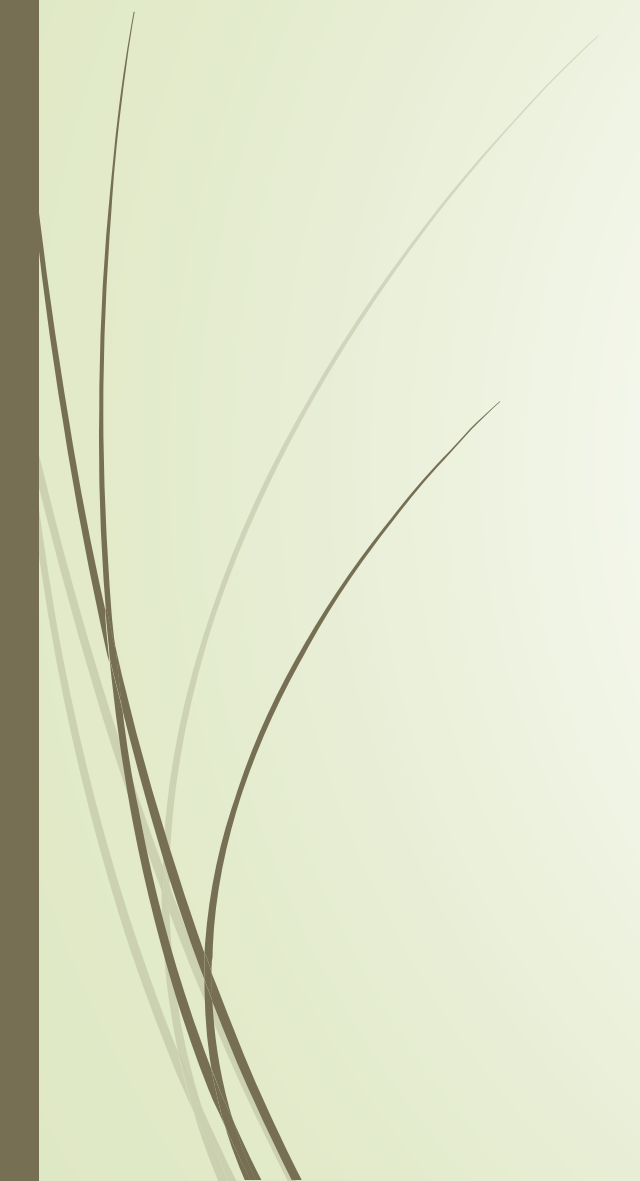


## I THESSALONIANS 1:6-7

<sup>6</sup> **You became imitators** of us & of the Lord, for you welcomed the message in the midst of severe suffering with the joy given by the Holy Spirit. <sup>7</sup> And so **you became an example** to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia.



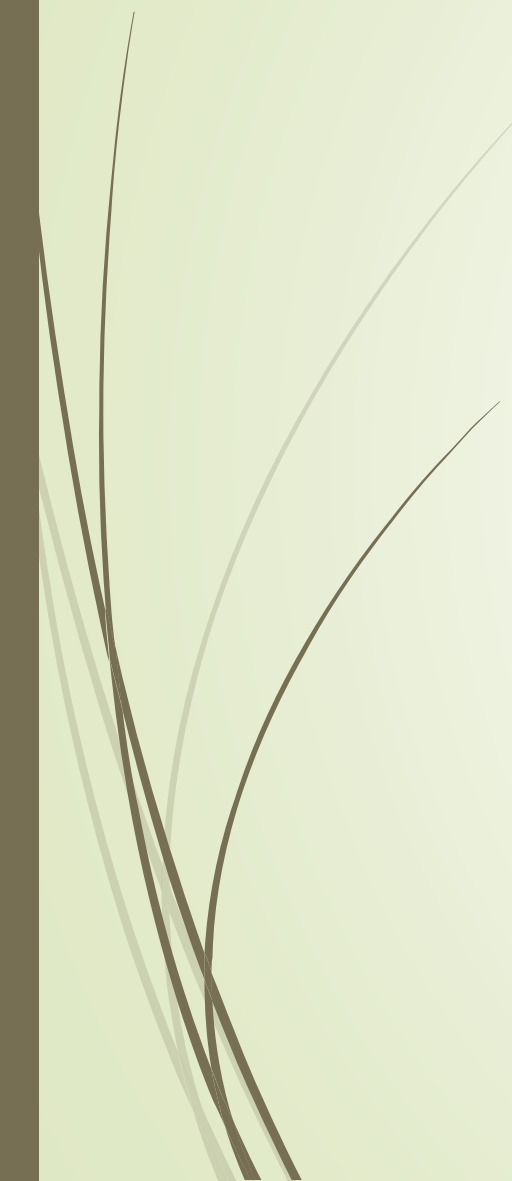
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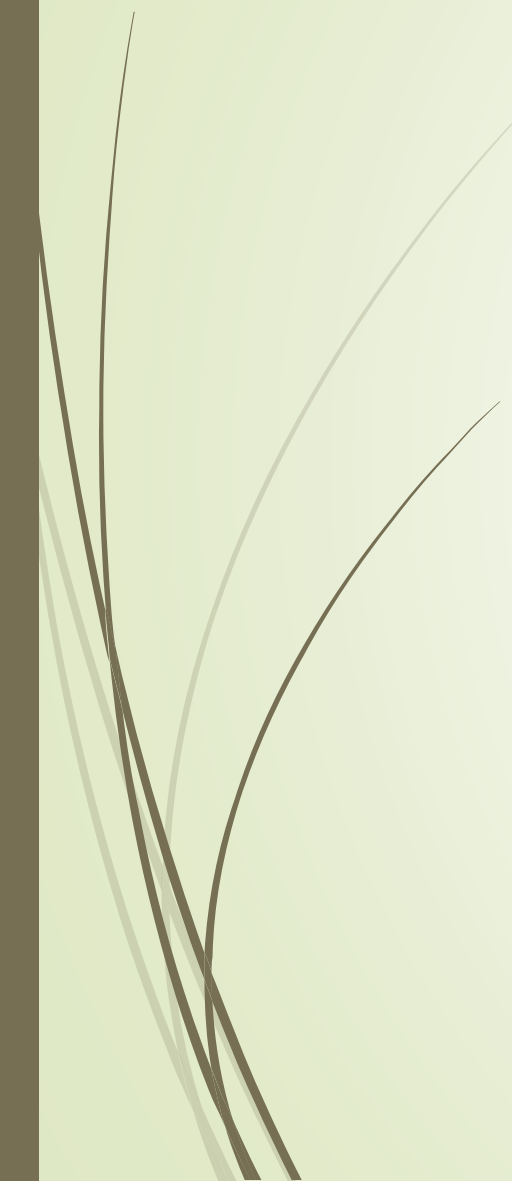


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3. Are there people you know who could use encouragement today? How could you personally provide encouragement to them?