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- Whose job is this?
- No “one-size-fits-all” approach (see Jude 22)



# *Admonish the Unruly*



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- Compare 2 Thessalonians 3:6-15
  - *Lazy busybodies (v. 6, 11)*
  - *Strong words and action required*
- Paul's example
  - *This is what Jesus says (v. 6, 12)*
  - *This is the apostles' example (v. 7-9)*
  - *These are the consequences (v. 10, 14)*



# ***Encourage the Fainthearted***



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- The discouraged in Isaiah
  - *Anxious heart (35:3-4)*
  - *Grieved widow (54:6-8)*
  - *Lowly spirit (57:15)*
- The fainthearted need hope and God's promise
  - *1 Thessalonians 4:13-18*



# ***Help the Weak***





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- Spiritual sickness that weakens faith
  - *Deceived by trials (1 Thessalonians 3:1-5, Hebrews 12:12-13)*
  - *Captured by temptation (1 Thessalonians 4:2-8)*
- Help and support them while they heal
  - *Galatians 6:1-2*

***Be Patient with Everyone***





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Seek that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek after that which is good for one another and for all people.

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But as for you, brethren, do not grow weary of doing good.

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