The Word at Work

Take a minute or less to circle the words or phrases that demonstrate the work of the Word of God in a person's life (sources: Romans 13:13; Galatians 5:19-23; 2 Peter 1:5-6). Then compare and contrast your list with your study partner. Discuss how the works you circled manifest themselves in the lives of believers in ways that all can see.

anger
brotherly kindness
charity
chastity
covetousness
debauchery
diligence
discord
dissensions
drunkenness
envying

factions faithfulness fits of rage forbearance gentleness gluttony goodness gratitude greed hatred humility idolatry impurity jealousy joy kindness knowledge love lust patience peace

rioting

self-control selfish ambition sexual immorality sloth strife temperance vainglory virtue wantonness witchcraft

Ideas for Encouragement

Use this list to help you decide on at least one way you can encourage a fellow believer this week. Circle your choices in each category, then share your ideas with a partner.

Who will you encourage?

- □ family member
- □ co-worker
- employer/employee
- □ caregiver
- □ neighbor
- □ peer/friend
- □ other

How will you do it?

- □ by message (card/email)
- □ by phone call
- □ by a hug or handshake
- □ with a meaningful gift
- □ with invitation for a meal
- with a piece of art/craft
- □ by doing simple chores
- other

What will you talk about?

- □ Jesus at work in his life
- □ that you notice how she responds to God's Word
- □ how his faith inspires you
- God's faithfulness
- □ Scriptural promises that are relevant
- □ other

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