

Daily Devotion For July 23, 2022

“Therefore **encourage** one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.” I Thessalonians 5:11

Turn on the TV or listen to the news and we are continually reading/hearing about the “spike” in Coronavirus cases. Over the past few weeks as I and other family members have become infected with the various new covid strains, I have been hearing the word “**Contagious**” more and more. Listening to the news today, I heard the newscaster reminding the audience how “**contagious**” the Coronavirus is.

All of this makes me wonder how “**contagious**” we are as Christians? In I Thessalonians 5:11, the apostle Paul wrote to “**encourage** one another and build each other up.” To be a **contagious** Christian it takes **courage** to live the life Christ calls us to live as well as to tell others about the good news of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The early church grew and turned the world upside down for Christ because the early Christians were **contagious** in their faith and **infected** others by the way they lived.

**Thought For Today:** How **contagious** are you as a Christian? Do others know that you are a Christian by the way you live? Would those around you be “**infected**” and drawn to Christ by the things you do and say?

**Today’s Prayer Focus:** Pray that the Lord would give you the **courage** to be a “**contagious**” Christian. Deo Volente.