

APPENDIX 4

Examples of Encouragement for Your Focus Group



*Emails of encouragement and words of appreciation and celebration
to the men in your Focus Group will make a real difference.*

Sample 1

Dear Men,

Please remember my prayer and invitation for you to join me in worship this Sunday in the Ministry Center, that, at the Peace I may recognize you to our congregation and prayerfully commission you for ministry and service in God's Kingdom.

Please know how thankful and hopeful I am for that foundation that all of you and Jay Crouse have laid for us. With Jay Millen and Mark Durinsky stepping up as our Leaders and you men as ministry and area champions, Wow, I can't wait to see what comes.

Most importantly is our Lord's heart for men to be set free from the prisons of cultural demands and know the joys of Biblical Manhood

With my prayers and thanksgiving,

Arthur

The Rev'd Arthur Jenkins

Sample 2

Men,

What a great meeting this morning. I hope you are as encouraged and hopeful as I am as to the possibilities we have for men and ministry with them and to them here at Saint James. We have many good and faithful resources and you men are the forefront of those resources. Be blessed.

Now, another point of encouragement. This past weekend I received a gift of \$1000 as seed money for Men's Ministry here. Wow! What an encouragement for us all. God is providing: through you men, manpower, willpower and faith-power. And through many, the financial resources we will need.

To God be the Glory, Soli Deo Gloria,

Arthur

The Rev'd Arthur Jenkins

Sample 3

Good Morning Men,

You are the 10 who have said “yes” to the commitment to the Church Men’s Ministry Focus Group to be led by Jay Crouse. I am so thankful for you.

Zach VonAllmen, Sonny Eppes, Joey Varin, Mark Durinsky, Christian Smith, Jack Henley, Les Sease, Jay Millen, Timothy Griggs and Fred Whittle. Each of you have had to rearrange schedules, child care and priorities to make this work. Thank you for this. Thank you for making your Biblical Manhood a priority and thank you for the ministry you will be able to offer the men of Saint James, your families and our community.

This is the Friendly Reminder:

We have some homework. I have copies of Jay’s book, *Men and the Church* for each of you. We are to read the Introduction, Preface and Chapter 1 before our first meeting on the 20th. <http://www.menandthechurch.com/about-jay-crouse.html>

REMEMBER: Jay has asked that we meet on Wednesdays, 7:00am, Ministry Center Parlour beginning April 20th. Then we will meet each Wednesday after that for 6 weeks.

I am thankful for you as you will be a great encouragement to the men of Saint James and many, many more.

With my encouragement for you,

Arthur

The Rev’d Arthur Jenkins

Sample 4

TO: Men of Prince George Focus Group

Thanks again to everyone who was able to make it this week. We only have 2 more meetings, as we are getting close to the final stage of our focus group. Let’s finish strong!

Our next meeting: Wed., Nov. 2 in the Parish Hall Panel Room, and we will start at 7:00 and end at 8:00.

Your assignment for Nov. 2nd: Read chapters 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Jay’s book. Review the attached planning template.

Remember that we only serve coffee. Our seventh and last meeting will be on Nov. 9, and Jay Crouse will be joining us.

If you have any questions, please call either Jamie Beard (843-241-0351) or me (843-240-0084).

Please remember to pray daily for God to guide and bless our group and also men’s ministry here at Prince George. Thanks for your involvement!

John Stalvey

Sample 5

TO: Men of the Cathedral Focus Group:

We have completed our walk through and conversations about *Men and the Church*. We are now prepared to put together our draft plan at our meeting this coming Wednesday, March 2 beginning at 7:30 AM. Please review Appendix A: Description of *A Journey in Disciple Making* and pray about this question:

“Where is God calling you as we move into our men’s ministry action plan for the Men of the Cathedral?”

Let’s have a full turn out for this meeting as we plan and celebrate the success of our work together.

Jay Crouse, Founder

Men and the Church