

8 WAYS TO ENCOURAGE YOUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP

- **PRAY FOR THEM:** Go to battle for those who teach and lead. Remember them in your daily prayers and pray often for their families.
- **STAND WITH THEM IN THEIR BIBLICAL TEACHINGS AND CHURCH PHILOSOPHY:** Always be for your pastor and his biblical teachings. Submit to church leadership with joy and thankfulness because God has risen up the leaders in your church.
- **SHUT DOWN GOSSIP IMMEDIATELY:** Be a peacemaker. Never stir up dissension. Do not allow people to speak poorly about church leadership or administration.
- **ALWAYS ASSUME THE BEST:** Church leaders are servants of the entire church congregation and they are human. They will make mistakes. Have grace for them and always assume they had the best intentions.
- **SEND AN APPRECIATION NOTE:** Take a few minutes and write an encouraging word or verse and send it to someone in leadership. Throw a \$5 gift card in it for coffee or lunch out on you as an extra bonus and show of appreciation.
- **SERVE IN YOUR CHURCH:** You are needed in your body of believers. Ask where servants are needed and find the place God has for you.
- **GET OTHERS INVOLVED IN MINISTRY:** Be a cheerleader for the ministries at your church. Tell people about bible study, fellowship groups and other events your church hosts.
- **BE FRIENDLY:** You are part of the body and might be the face a new person sees that first day. Smile. Say hello. Start a conversation if time allows. Make new friends.

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