

w/b 27th November 2016

ONE-ANOTHERING: **ADMONISH ONE ANOTHER**

Notes and questions for group leader/ study leader

1. Can you think of an occasion when someone 'told you off'? Or when you told someone else off?
2. Admonishing must be part of one-anothering. Do you agree that this is so?
3. Read in slow, appreciative mode Colossians 3 v12-17.
Use as many different translations as you have available. Also Romans 15 v14
4. Why is it said that admonishing cannot be separated from teaching, training and the wisdom of scripture?
5. What kind of fellow Christian do you feel competent to admonish without doing more harm than good.

(Someone I am very close to

Someone who trusts me.

Someone whose shoes I have walked in

Someone I can cry with and then laugh with)

6. How would you choose the right moment to admonish?

(When my friend is receptive and has nothing else pressing)

7. What preparations would you make before daring to admonish?

Pray before (and during) our talking

Consult with mutual friends

Show that I love them

Prepare to use 'purr' words rather than 'snarl' words

8. How would you evaluate your attempt?

Have I 'carried my friend's judgement'?

Are we closer friends than before?

Are we both better Christians or nearer Christ's likeness than before?

9. If there is time you could consider a good example from the Old Testament:

2 Samuel 12:1-25 - David and Nathan

(Eric Beaumont)