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Wednesday Evening Lesson

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**The Under shepherd's Administration of Discipline to the Flock of God**

Scripture Reading before Invocational Prayer: 1 Peter 5:1-4 (cf. Acts 20:28-32)

Scripture Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 5:12-14

Subject: **NOW WE EXHORT YOU, BRETHERN, WARN THEM THAT ARE UNRULY, COMFORTH THE FEEBLEMINDED, SUPPORT THE WEAK, BE PATIENT TOWARD ALL MEN.** (1 Thessalonians 5:14) KJV

Text: Hebrews 13:7 & 17 (cf. 1 Corinthians 4:1-5)

Introduction: Ezekiel 3:17-20

Lesson Outline

2 Timothy 3:16-17      "Comfort the afflicted and afflict the comforted"      2 Timothy 4:1-8

**Warn them that are unruly** – (A military term meaning out of rank or leaving your post) Conduct unbecoming to a Christian and contrary to sound doctrine and charity and edification.

2 Thessalonians 3:6-16      Philippians 3:17-21 "the purpose of an example is to follow."  
1 Thessalonians 4:11-12      a quote often use by our Founder – The Late Bishop Roland James Allen  
Romans 16:17-18

**Comfort the Feebleminded** – (men of little souls) a person (s) overburdened with sorrow of a death; afraid of persecution and suffering; *depressed because of sin* or the like. Their courage and reasoning is ready to fail under the weight of the difficulties they face. The downcast and "the least of these my brethren." Going through something and not able to handle it very well.

2 Thessalonians 3:13      2 Corinthians 1:2-10 the Apostle Paul  
2 Corinthians 1:8-10      Jonah, chapters 1-4 God's Mercy  
1 Kings 19:1-8      Elijah

**Support the weak** – those who have not attained maturity in strength, discernment, knowledge, faith or spiritual understanding. The infirmed: whether in soul or body. 1 Corinthians 3:1-3, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

Hebrews 5:12-14      1 Corinthians 9:19-22  
Romans 14:1-23      Romans 15:1-3

**Patient toward all men** – Patience toward the flocks' unbelief, faults, errors, ignorance, lack of wisdom, lack of common sense, their carnality, envy and strife, bearing with wickedness, stiff necked, disobedience and stubbornness; exercise meekness toward the perverse and ungrateful and those who oppose themselves. (Romans 10:16-21)

Romans 15:4-7      Hebrews 10:36-39  
2 Peter 3: 9      1 Corinthians 13:1-13  
James 1:2-4      2 Timothy 2:24-26

**Conclusion:** 1 Timothy 5:17-25