



Bringing Out the Best in Others

The One Another Way – Part 5

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➤ Key: **It takes my best to bring out the best in others.**

In all the work you are doing, work the best you can. Work as if you were doing it for the Lord, not for people. **Colossians 3:23 (NCV)**

God will use me to bring out the best in others when...

1. **I see the best in others.**

When you do things, do not let selfishness or pride be your guide. Be humble and give more honor to others than to yourselves. Do not be interested only in your own life but be interested in the lives of others. **Philippians 2:3-4 (NCV)**

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous, it does not brag, and it is not proud. Love is not rude, is not selfish, and does not get upset with others. Love does not count up wrongs that have been done. Love takes no pleasure in evil but rejoices over truth. Love patiently accepts all things. It always trusts, always hopes, always endures. Love never ends. **1 Corinthians 13:4-8a (NCV)**

2. **I step closer to others.**

A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother. **Proverbs 18:24 (ESV)**

Two people are better than one, because they get more done by working together. **Ecclesiastes 4:9 (NCV)**

3. **I stretch others.**

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. **Hebrews 10:24 (NLT)**

A friend is always loyal, and a brother is born to help in a time of need. **Proverbs 17:17 (NLT)**

A gentle answer will calm a person's anger. But an unkind answer will cause more anger. **Proverbs 15:1 (ICB)**

As one piece of iron sharpens another, so friends keep each other sharp. **Proverbs 27:17 (ERV)**

Two people are better off than one, for they can help each other succeed. If one person falls, the other can reach out and help. But someone who falls alone is in real trouble. Likewise, two people lying close together can keep each other warm. But how can one be warm alone? A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12a (NLT)

Moments **when life is too big for me**... (vs9)

Moments **when I fail**... (vs10)

Moments **when I'm weak**... (vs11)

Moments **when I'm under attack**... (vs12)

4. **I seize moments with others.**

We who are strong in faith should help the weak with their weaknesses, and not please only ourselves. Let each of us please our neighbors for their good, to help them be stronger in faith.

Romans 15:1-2 (NCV)

5. **I sacrifice for others.**

There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. **John 15:13 (NLT)**

This is how we know what real love is: Jesus gave his life for us. So we should give our lives for our brothers and sisters.

1 John 3:16 (NCV)
