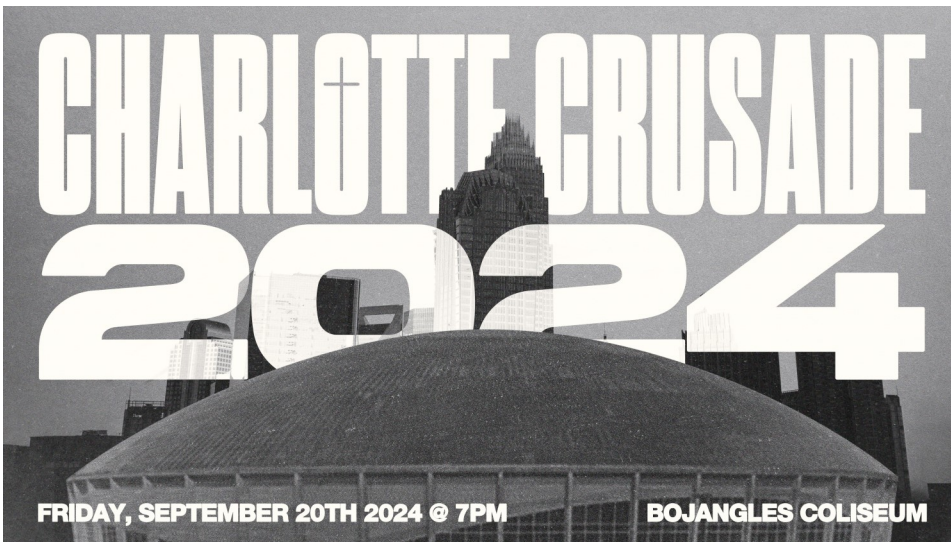


September Newsletter

Charlotte Crusade 2024

Encouragement Now Ministries is going to be participating with Charlotte Crusade 2024 this month! We will have volunteers and team leaders there to pray with people, help meet some immediate needs for counseling, and help support the ministry workers and pastors here in the Charlotte area. Please pray for us to help reach the lives of people who need Jesus, to support the local church, bring more churches and volunteers to the counseling mission field, so that we can impact our community and change lives.



Be Strong And Courageous

God had given a word of command and encouragement to Joshua, the leader of Israel, when he and the Israelites were about to enter the Promised Land. The Israelites had just spent 40 year in the desert, Moses and Aaron had died, and now they were about to go into the land and conquer it. If you know anything about this story it is not a small task to undertake, but God was with Joshua and working on his behalf. There are three things in the text that we need to apply to our lives.

Joshua 1:3-9 says this: *3I will give you every place where you set your foot, as I promised Moses. 4Your territory will extend from the desert to Lebanon, and from the great river, the Euphrates—all the Hittite country—to the Mediterranean Sea in the west. 5No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you. 6Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their ancestors to give them.*

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7"Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. 8Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. 9Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

1. God's Promise. God made a promise centuries before Joshua was to step into the land. God reiterated the promises to Joshua that He made Moses, Abraham, and all who came before. We know that God is trustworthy and true to the promises He makes.

2. God's Encouragement. He told Joshua to be strong and courageous three time. God said, "[I] will be with you wherever you go". Did you notice that God did not say, "Good Luck" and leave? He did not give Joshua a major task and abandon the Israelites. He was going to be with them until the promise was fulfilled.

3. God's Word. God told Joshua to "Be careful to obey all the lay my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it."

Are we applying God's Promises, Encouragement, and Word to our lives? What are areas of your life that need to be conquered? Are you going through life feeling abandoned and discouraged? Life can be very overwhelming. Circumstances can feed fear and discouragement. We can feel lost. God has promised to be with us. He has given us His word that He will never leave not forsake us. Are you following Him? Do you feel lost or need counseling? We would love to talk to you. Please go to our Consult Form page and fill out the information. We would love to talk to you.

How Can We Help You? How Can You Help Us?

Are you a pastor or member of a church? Do you see the need for biblically based mental health? Our ask is this: Would you consider partnering with us financially to help us reach more people? We would love to talk to you and be a resource to you and your congregation. To set up an appointment please click on the link to our Partner Page. Fill out the form, and we will contact you. Or, you can donate directly by going to the "Donate Here" button on the page and give a one time gift or set up a monthly reoccurring gift. Your generosity can help change lives.



ENCOURAGEMENT NOW PODCAST

We have a Podcast that can help you understand life through the lens of the Bible. Here is a list of episodes that we have for you to explore:

Episode 001: Happiness

Episode 002: Renewing Your Mind

Episode 003: Grace – Part 1

Episode 004: Grace – Part 2

Episode 005: Worry & Anxiety – Part 1

Episode 006: Worry & Anxiety – Part 2

Episode 007: Grief & Loss

Episode 008: Complaining

Episode 009: Introducing Boundaries

Episode 010: Distractions – Part 1

Episode 011: Distractions – Part 2

Episode 012: Biblical Separation – Pt 1

Episode 013: Biblical Separation – Pt 2

Episode 014: Biblical Separation – Pt 3

Episode 015: Separated With No Hope