CHAPTER 5 • HANDOUT

APPLYING SCRIPTURE

GROUP ACTIVITY

Create groups of 3. Turn to pages 77–78 of the student text. Each group appoint a reporter and recorder.

- Discuss this situation:
- Answer the following questions:
 - How do these scriptures give courage to the encourager?
 - What kind of encouragement is needed? Give specific scriptural ways to minister.

ENCOURAGEMENT PRINCIPLE #5

God's Word is the directing force behind encouragement.

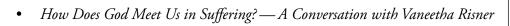


Time: ten minutes to discuss; three to five minutes to report

ASSIGNMENT FOR NEXT WEEK

- Watch Chapter 6 Encouragement Stories video at ww.treasuresofencouragement.org.
- Read and complete Chapter 6 and the Staying Focused questions, noting specific scriptures and statements in your journal that God uses to grab your attention.
- Call your prayer partner at least once this week to check on prayer needs and review memory work. Personalize the Praying Scripture and record in your journal.
- Review your **Village Handout**. Who needs specific encouragement?
- Review Hebrews 10:19–21. Memorize Hebrews 10:22.
- Complete your group encouragement assignment.
- Start thinking about how you want to be remembered.
- Review back of book Appendices #1 and #2 encouragement ideas for ideas on how to offer biblical encouragement to one person this week.

■ **Bonus:** Listen to the Help & Hope podcast





• Finding Joy in the Hard Places with Autism — A Conversation with Paul and Jill Miller



PRAYING SCRIPTURE

With my whole heart I seek You, let me not wander from Your commandments!

Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law. Make me understand the way of Your precepts, and I will meditate on Your wondrous works.

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

PSALM 119:10, 18, 27, 105

