

NW STUDY ARTICLE COMICS



Learn From the God of All Comfort

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“Comfort others . . . with the comfort
that we receive from God.”

—2 Corinthians 1:4



INTRODUCTION

• PARAGRAPH 1 •



Why should we comfort others?

WE ALL EXPERIENCE TRIALS.

1 Peter 1:6



We at times need comfort and encouragement.

WE COMFORT BECAUSE WE LOVE OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS!

WE APPRECIATE RECEIVING COMFORT...

Matthew 7:12



...so we should be quick to provide it to those who are suffering.



JEHOVAH, “THE GOD OF ALL COMFORT,” SHOWS US HOW TO “COMFORT OTHERS IN ANY SORT OF TRIAL.”

2 Corinthians 1:3, 4



WE CAN FOLLOW HIS EXAMPLE BY “COMFORTING ONE ANOTHER.”

1 Thessalonians 4:18



We do so, not because we have to, but because we love our brothers and sisters.

IN THIS ARTICLE, WE WILL CONSIDER:

1 THE MEANING OF COMFORT AS DESCRIBED IN THE BIBLE.



2 HOW WE CAN COMFORT OTHERS.



3 WHAT WE CAN DO WHEN WE NEED COMFORT.



LET'S BE DETERMINED TO COMFORT ONE ANOTHER—JUST AS JEHOVAH DOES!



COMFORT AS
DESCRIBED IN
THE BIBLE
• PARAGRAPH 2 •



In the Bible, what range of meanings can the word translated “comfort” have?

In the Bible, the Greek word translated “**comfort**” can have a wide range of meanings, depending on the context. It can mean “**encourage**,” “**exhort**,” or “**urge**.”



ENCOURAGE

To give support and courage.

Romans 12:8



EXHORT

To urge or encourage strongly.

Romans 12:8



URGE

To encourage someone to act or keep going. See study note “encourages.”

A friend
comes to your
side and
helps you.



I'm here
for you!



The literal meaning of this word is
“**to call to one's side.**”



A friend comes quickly to the aid of his companion who is suffering, providing whatever **help** or **support** he needs.



Regardless of the type of help that friend gives, true comfort produces the same outcome—the one suffering is **built up** and **strengthened**.



COMFORT AS
DESCRIBED IN
THE BIBLE
• PARAGRAPH 3 •



How did Barnabas set
an example in comforting others?



The apostles called Barnabas “**Son of Comfort**”
because he was so good at encouraging
and comforting others. (Acts 4:36)



When Saul arrived
in Jerusalem, the
believers were
afraid of him.



But Barnabas **trusted** Saul
and **introduced** him to the apostles.

Barnabas came to
the aid of his fellow
believers when
they needed **help**.

He **encouraged** them,
comforted them,
and gave **support**.

Because of his **loving**
example, the Bible
never again refers
to him by his
given name!



Like Barnabas, we can be a “**son of comfort**”
by **trusting** others, **encouraging** them,
and **helping** them feel safe and welcome.



Acts 9:26-28

HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 4 •



What is one of the
best ways to provide comfort?

Jehovah uses his servants
to provide comfort.

When the prophet Elijah
was depressed,
Jehovah used an angel
to encourage him.

1 Ki. 19:4-7

Paul recognized the power
of visiting in person.

He longed
to encourage
the brothers.

Romans 1:11, 12

Visit them
if possible!

When you visit someone to
provide comfort, **allow time** for
more than just a brief interaction.

1 Cor. 16:7

Will you allow
Jehovah to use
you to provide
comfort to
others?

If you are unable to visit someone in need,
do not underestimate the power of...

a phone call



a letter



a card



a text message



Even a small effort can **strengthen** and **encourage** someone.



BE AN ANSWER TO PRAYER!
COMFORT OTHERS WITH **KINDNESS**,
LOVE, AND A **WILLING HEART**.



HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 5 •



What challenges
can we expect to face?

In ancient times...

Onesiphorus searched for Paul
at great personal risk to
comfort him in prison.

2 Tim. 1:16-18



He was willing to be imprisoned
or even put to death to show
his **love** and **support**.

In modern times...

In Russia, brothers and sisters
support one another despite
persecution for their faith.

COURAGE
AND UNITY



They are present in the courtroom
to show their **support**, even though
it could put their own **freedom** at risk.

COMFORTING OTHERS MAY BECOME
MORE DIFFICULT IN THE LAST DAYS.



Prepare yourself to follow their
brave example!

Study how God's people in
ancient and modern times
supported one another and
found **joy** despite persecution.



BRAVE LOVE CAN OVERCOME FEAR.
LET'S BE READY TO **COMFORT OTHERS!**



HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 6 •



How can we imitate Jehovah
as we comfort others?



Jehovah listens to us with love.

Elijah poured out
his heart...



Habakkuk was allowed
to express his concerns
and even question Him.

Jehovah always
listens patiently
and lovingly.

1 Ki. 19:9, 10, 14

Hab. 1:2, 3

Today, Jehovah
listens closely to
our prayers, even
though He already
knows what we need.



He cares about
you and wants
to hear from
your heart.



We can imitate Jehovah by listening carefully and respectfully.



Be quick
to listen.

Jas. 1:19



Avoid
interrupting.



Don't take
offense.



Be patient, even
if they repeat
themselves.



Listening well shows **love** and helps our
brothers and sisters feel **understood** and **supported**.



Let's follow Jehovah's example!



Even in difficult times,
Jehovah helps His
servants to **support**
one another and
find **joy**.



True joy comes
from **trusting Jehovah**
and **caring for**
one another!



LISTEN WITH LOVE. COMFORT WITH KINDNESS.
TOGETHER, WE CAN HELP ONE ANOTHER
STAY STRONG AND FIND JOY!



HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 7 •



How can we discern the needs
of someone in distress?



DISCERN WHAT A PERSON NEEDS.



Do not **assume**
you know what
they need just
because you would
need it in a similar
situation.



We are all
different.
Take your time
and listen
carefully.

We cannot read
hearts as Jehovah
does, so we need
to **listen**
attentively.



Ask tactful questions that will **help** to
draw out their feelings.

Would you like
to talk about
what's bothering
you?



How has this
situation been
affecting you?



What would help
you feel better
right now?



Is there
anything I can
do to support
you?



PROVERBS 20:5

Wise listening brings understanding
and shows true caring.



WHEN WE **LISTEN WELL**,
WE CAN **UNDERSTAND THEIR NEEDS**
AND **PROVIDE COMFORT** THAT
TRULY HELPS!



HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 8 •



How did Jesus comfort Martha and Mary after Lazarus died?



JESUS COMFORTED MARTHA AND MARY IN DIFFERENT WAYS.



JESUS COMFORTED MARTHA...

After Martha spoke with Jesus, he shared truths about the **resurrection** and helped reinforce her **faith** in that loving provision.

Your brother
will rise.
I am the resurrection
and the life.



John 11:20-26



JESUS COMFORTED MARY...

When Mary came to him weeping, Jesus **wept with her**. He did not mention the resurrection. Instead, he showed **deep empathy** and asked where Lazarus had been laid.

John 11:28-35

Where have
you laid him?

THE LESSON FOR US



When we comfort those who are suffering, we must **DISCERN THEIR NEEDS** rather than try to use a one-size-fits-all approach.

Some may need
encouraging truths...



Others may need
compassion and empathy...



JESUS SHOWED **LOVE**, **WISDOM**,
AND **EMPATHY** BY **DISCERNING**
THE NEEDS OF MARTHA AND MARY.



HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 9 •



How can we use the Bible
to comfort others?



USE THE BIBLE.

When you share
“the comfort from
the Scriptures” with
someone, you can
help that person to
gain hope.

Romans 15:4, 5

That hope,
in turn, provides
further comfort
and
encouragement.

Isa. 40:31

Q HOW CAN YOU FIND A BIBLE PASSAGE TO ENCOURAGE SOMEONE?

Some keep a list
of verses that they
consult when needed.

Verses for
Encouragement

- ✓ Isaiah 40:31
- ✓ Psalm 34:18
- ✓ 2 Corinthians 1:3, 4
- ✓ Romans 15:4-5
- ✓ John 14:1

Such as those under
the topic “Comfort” in
Scriptures for
Christian Living.

Scriptures for
Christian Living

TOPIC INDEX
Comfort

Ask Jehovah to help you
to use his Word in the best
way possible in order to
provide encouragement.



His spirit can help you
to recall appropriate
scriptures when you
need them.

This
verse will
help!

John 14:26

Jehovah’s holy spirit
helps us remember
the right words
at the right time.

God’s Word
brings hope,
comfort, and
strength!

Sharing the Bible
can lift hearts
and bring
encouragement
that lasts.



THE BIBLE IS A SOURCE OF HOPE
THAT HELPS US COMFORT OTHERS
IN A WAY THAT TRULY HELPS!



HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 10 •



Why must we speak kindly
when we try to encourage someone?



SPEAK KINDLY.

The original-language word
used for “comfort” can
also be rendered “exhort,”
or “urge.”

COMFORT
=
EXHORT (URGE)



Think carefully
before you speak
so that your
words heal
rather than hurt.



Prov. 12:18



JEHOVAH SET THE PERFECT EXAMPLE WITH ELIJAH.

Elijah was mistaken about
the value of his work and
about the scope of Israel’s
apostasy.



Jehovah kindly helped
Elijah to correct his
thinking without
directly pointing out
his errors.



1 Ki. 19:15-18

With kindness and careful thought, you can do the same!

WHEN WE SPEAK KINDLY AND POSITIVELY...



IN TALKS AND COMMENTS...



Always speak
kindly and
positively as
you try to
encourage and
strengthen
others.



AT CHRISTIAN MEETINGS...



Our words build up
wonderful unity
and bring joy
and strength to
our brothers
and sisters.



LET KIND WORDS:

Bring hope
and comfort.



Heal, not hurt.



Encourage
faith and trust.



Strengthen
our spiritual family.



KIND WORDS, SPOKEN WITH CARE,
CAN COMFORT HEARTS AND STRENGTHEN FAITH!

John 14:26

HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 11 •



What do those in distress
often need?



THOSE IN DISTRESS OFTEN NEED
**MORE THAN WORDS—THEY NEED
PRACTICAL HELP!**

Read

1 John 3:18

Let us stop
just saying we
love people; let
us really love
them by showing
it in our actions.



BARNABAS SET A GOOD EXAMPLE.



He sold some property
and donated the
proceeds to support
his newly baptized
brothers and sisters
who were in need.



Acts 4:36, 37



TODAY, MANY BROTHERS AND SISTERS FOLLOW HIS FINE EXAMPLE!



Gabriela, Poland

After a severe flood
damaged her home.



I was really
frightened and
worried. How was
I going to cope?

But brothers from nearby
congregations came and
did a lot of work in just
one day!



That experience
strengthened my
faith that Jehovah
is directing his
people to comfort
those who are
suffering.



THANK YOU!



PRACTICAL HELP CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE!

It shows real love.



It brings comfort
and encouragement.



It strengthens
our brothers
and sisters.



It helps build a
united congregation.



LET'S SHOW OUR LOVE IN ACTION
BY PROVIDING PRACTICAL HELP
TO THOSE WHO ARE IN DISTRESS!



HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 12 •



How can you help your fellow Christians when you faithfully endure trials?



WHEN WE FAITHFULLY ENDURE TRIALS,
WE CAN COMFORT AND ENCOURAGE OTHERS!

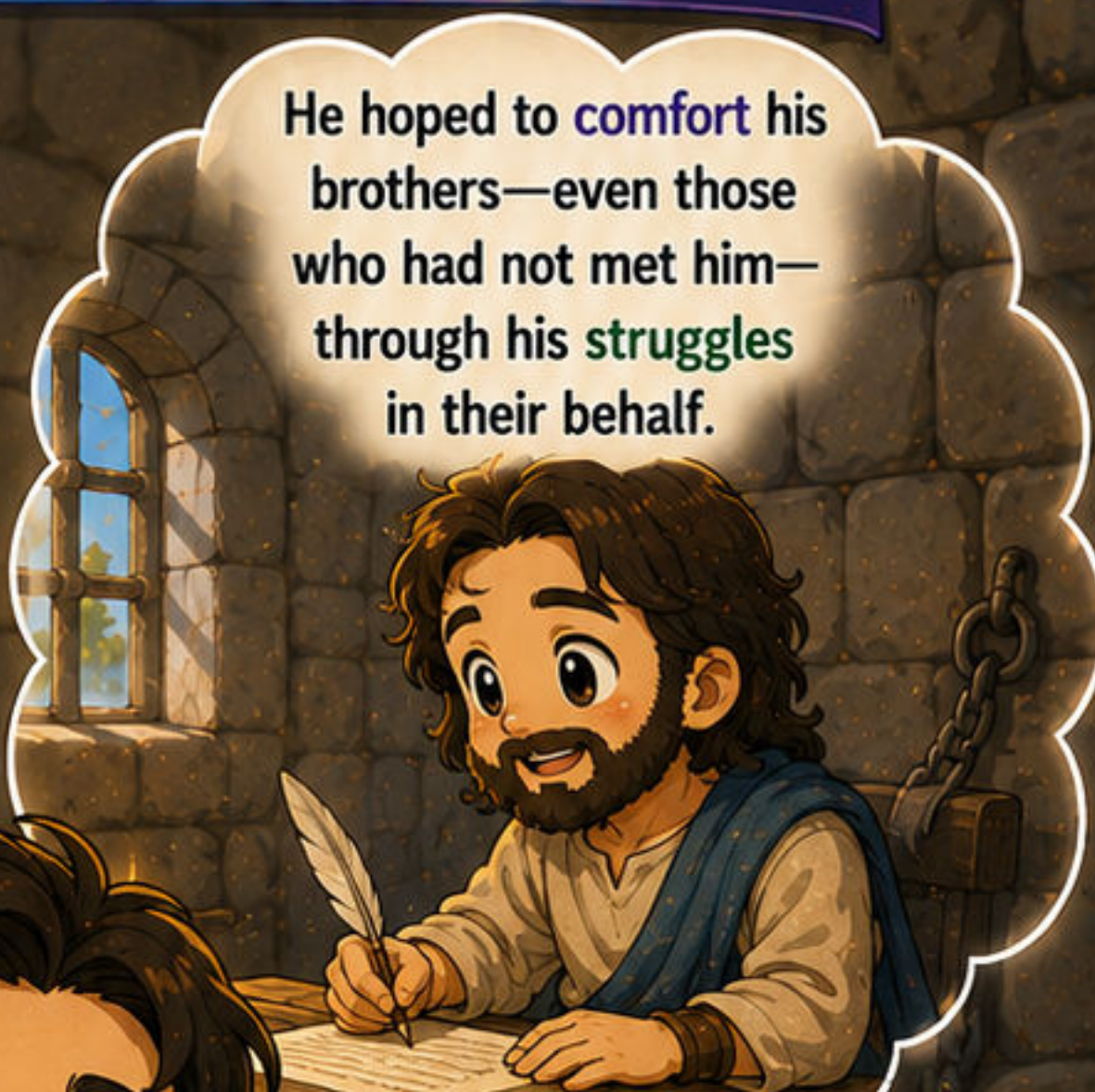


Paul gained **comfort** and renewed energy when he learned about their **faithful endurance**.



1 Thess. 3:5-8

He hoped to **comfort** his brothers—even those who had not met him—through his **struggles** in their behalf.



Col. 2:1, 2



Paul's endurance in trials helped **OTHERS** to feel **comforted** and **encouraged**!

When our fellow Christians see how Jehovah is helping us to **endure our trials** successfully,



OUR FAITHFUL ENDURANCE
CAN STRENGTHEN, ENCOURAGE, AND **COMFORT**
OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS!



HOW TO
COMFORT OTHERS
• PARAGRAPH 13 •



What must we continue to do
as we encourage others?



BE PATIENT AND
KEEP ENCOURAGING!



Those who are discouraged may not respond right away...

I just don't
feel like
talking...



KEEP
ENCOURAGING
ONE ANOTHER.



1 Thess. 5:11



I care
about you.
I'm here
for you!



So continue to console and support with patience and kindness.

Be patient
as you continue
to comfort
those who need
your support.

1 Thess. 5:14



Kind words
today may help
build hope for
tomorrow.



WHEN WE FAITHFULLY ENDURE, OTHERS ARE ENCOURAGED!

Seeing how
Jehovah helps
us through
trials gives
me strength!



Your faithful
endurance can
comfort and
encourage many
brothers and
sisters!



★ WHEN YOU NEED COMFORT...



Pray to Jehovah.



Read the Scriptures.

Talk with a trusted brother.



BE PATIENT AND KEEP ENCOURAGING!
YOUR LOVE AND PERSEVERANCE
CAN BRING GREAT COMFORT AND HOPE.



WHEN YOU
NEED COMFORT
• PARAGRAPHS 14-15 •



What should we do when we are
facing times of anxiety or distress?

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PRAY TO JEHOVAH.

Pour out your **heart** to Him in **heartfelt** prayer.



Jehovah, I feel
overwhelmed and
anxious about
school and my
family. Please
comfort me and
help me.



JEHOVAH CARES AND COMFORTS YOU!

He hears your
prayers.



Ps. 94:19

Pour out your
heart to Him.



Ps. 62:8

He responds in
His own way
when you pray
in faith.



Mark 11:24

His peace guards
your heart and
mind.



Phil. 4:6, 7



Talking to Jehovah in prayer shows
faith. He **knows** how you feel, and He
never fails to **respond**.



15

ASK OTHERS FOR HELP.



Share your feelings. You don't have to face your struggles **alone**.



Share with a **mature friend**
who listens with care.



Confide in a **trusted elder**.
They can give loving guidance.



TELL THEM, SO THEY CAN HELP!

Your brothers and sisters want
to comfort you, but they may
not know how you feel or what
you need unless you **tell them**.



Prov. 14:10

Ask them to:

✓ Listen
empathetically.

✓ Share a scripture
or an article that
has comforted
them.



PRAY TO JEHOVAH AND REACH OUT TO OTHERS.
YOU ARE NEVER ALONE—JEHOVAH AND HIS PEOPLE
ARE ALWAYS THERE TO COMFORT YOU!



WHEN YOU
NEED COMFORT
• PARAGRAPH 16 •



What might happen when others
try to encourage you,
but what should you remember?



BE PATIENT AND FORGIVING.

Others may **not encourage you** in the **right way**...



You just need to
be **stronger**!



✗ They might say something
that hurts.



Here's what
you **should**
do...



✗ They might give advice
that makes you feel worse.



If that happens, be **patient** with them.



FOCUS ON THEIR GOOD MOTIVES.

They **care** about you and
want to help. They are
doing **their best**!



Remember,
“the **spirit**, of course,
is **eager**, but the
flesh is **weak**.”



📖 Matt. 26:41



REMEMBER WHAT THE SCRIPTURES TEACH.

Love is patient
and **kind**.

📖 1 Cor. 13:4, 7



No one is **perfect**
with their words.

📖 James 3:2



Oops!
I said the
wrong thing.

We all need **patience**
and **forgiveness**.



Keep showing **love**,
being **patient**, and
forgiving—just as
Jehovah does!



Your brothers and sisters
are learning to comfort
well, and with **patience**
and forgiveness, you
will be comforted in
Jehovah's loving way.



BE PATIENT. BE FORGIVING.
KEEP FOCUSING ON LOVE AND GOOD MOTIVES.
YOU WILL FIND COMFORT AND BRING COMFORT TO OTHERS!



WHEN YOU
NEED COMFORT
• PARAGRAPH 17 •



What should we be
determined to do?



THE LAST DAYS WILL BECOME MORE CRITICAL.
OPPOSITION WILL INCREASE.

CHALLENGES
WILL GROW.



Troubling
news



Opposition
from others



Personal
struggles

BUT JEHOVAH
IS WITH US!



He gives us
strength



His Word
comforts us



Our brothers
and sisters
encourage us

LET US BE DETERMINED TO
EXERT OURSELVES IN
COMFORTING ONE ANOTHER!



SEE THEIR NEEDS.



Notice when others
are discouraged or
in distress.

SHOW KINDNESS.



Speak kindly and
listen with a
caring heart.

PROVIDE HELP.



Offer practical help
and share what
encourages you.

KEEP ENCOURAGING.



Be patient and
keep **strengthening**
your brothers and
sisters.



TOGETHER, WE CAN **ENDURE** AND **SUPPORT**
ONE ANOTHER UNTIL JEHOVAH'S PROMISES ARE FULFILLED!





QUESTIONS FOR REVIEW

1. As described in the Bible, what is meant by “**comfort**”?



Comfort means to give **help**, **encouragement**, and **hope** from God’s Word and from loving actions.



2. How can we comfort **others**?



Share **encouraging** scriptures.



Speak **kindly** and **listen**.



Provide **practical** help.



Be **patient** and support them.



Endure and be a **good example**.

3. What can we do when we **need comfort**?



Pray to Jehovah.
Pour out your heart to Him.



Read the Bible and trust in His promises.



Ask others for help.
Share your feelings with a mature friend or elder.



WE ALL NEED COMFORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT!

Let us be determined to exert ourselves in comforting one another.

