

## *What It Takes to be One of God's Team Players*

### *Exodus 17:8-13 and 24:13-15*

Today's text demonstrates for us the importance of \_\_\_\_\_ and being a \_\_\_\_\_ in the army of God. Two members of Moses' team came to his aid when he couldn't do it on his own.

Like Aaron and Hur, we are to hold leaders, but also one another, up and be team players to achieve the \_\_\_\_\_ over the \_\_\_\_\_ that God desires for His people.

Team players in God's kingdom \_\_\_\_\_ in one another, or more specifically, believe in that \_\_\_\_\_ in one another. In Phil. 1:6 Paul expressed his deep conviction that God was at work despite all of their \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ into the people that He purposed for them to be. Whenever we are about to give up on one another, the word of God challenges us to "Bear with each other and \_\_\_\_\_ one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord \_\_\_\_\_" (Col. 3:13).

Second, team players are \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_. On many occasions, the Israelites were discouragers, wanting to \_\_\_\_\_ Moses' leadership and even to \_\_\_\_\_ him. It's always hard to choose to be an encourager when things seem to be going \_\_\_\_\_, but being an encourager is the challenge God puts before us.

Finally, team players are \_\_\_\_\_ enough to let someone else get the \_\_\_\_\_. Holding up Moses' hands was a symbol of their willingness to play the "\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_" role in the story of God's raising up a people to be His own possession and the source of the salvation of the world.

What Moses was holding up was the staff he used since the beginning of his selection by God to lead the people. It symbolized trust in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. This is the key to the whole story. We can believe in each other, encourage one another, and not despise not getting credit because we know it is \_\_\_\_\_ who is doing all this, not \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.