

Your Family in Christ

*Do not sharply rebuke an older man,
but rather appeal to him as a father,
to the younger men as brothers,
the older women as mothers, and
the younger women as sisters, in all purity. (1 Timothy 5:1-2, NASB)*

To help us meet the hardships of life,
God has given us a family.
All the believers in the world,
and especially those around us,
are our family.
How much we enjoy this family is up to us.

We can take pleasure in sharing life with God's children.
We can enrich them with our love,
our presence,
our prayers,
our labors, and
the resources God has lent us.
And we can be enriched by them.

Or we can isolate ourselves and
impoverish both them and us.

The believers around you are one of
God's most precious gifts to you –
and one of His dearest trusts.
Value them.
Enjoy them.
They can make life fuller and sweeter.

*Father, thank You for all the
beautiful, Christ-like
individuals that have filled my life!
What an incredible gift!*

Hymn: Children of the Lord

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