

## Week 51—Encouragement

### Read

In the Fall when you see geese flying south for the winter, they will most likely be flying in a “V” formation. They fly that way on purpose. As each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately behind. By using this flying formation, the entire flock adds about 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own. When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag of trying to go it alone, and quickly returns to the formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the flock. As the lead goose gets tired, he rotates to the back of the formation and another goose flies the point.

You will also hear the geese “honking” at one another. Many believe that this is their way of encouraging those in the lead. <sup>1</sup>

### Reflect

*But encourage one another day after day. (Hebrews 3:13)*

### Respond

This week how can you encourage the students in your class? How can you encourage someone else in the Children’s Ministry? How can you let the Lord encourage you?

Write your thoughts here:

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Prayer Requests for yourself, your students, and others with whom you serve in ministry:

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<sup>1</sup> *A Children’s Leader Devotion* (Lake Forest, CA: Saddleback Church), Week 13.