



Wandering For God

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Encouragement

An old farmer had a mule that didn't know his own strength. As the farmer hitched up the mule to a two-horse plow, he would yell out, "Get up there, Bob. Let's go, Kate. Come on now, Betty Lou."

One morning a neighbor, overhearing the farmer, asked, "How many names does that old mule of yours have?"

"Oh, he just has one," replied the farmer. "His name

is Pete. But I put blinders on him and call out all the other names so he will think other mules are helping him. That way, he does the work of at least two."

Encouragement is a key factor in almost all successful ventures. It is remarkably helpful to give everyone around us at least one word of encouragement every day.

People who are encouraged can accomplish things beyond all expectations. It may not necessarily cause them to do the work of "two mules," but it will make both of you far better people.