

JUST LIKE BARNABAS

EVERYBODY & ANYBODY

Part 1: Encourager

October 10, 2021

→ TEACHING NOTES ←

ACTS 4:36-37 (NIV)

Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means “son of encouragement”), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles’ feet.

A. ENCOURAGEMENT SAYS, “_____ CAN DO IT AND _____ AM WITH YOU.”

B. 3 TYPES OF PEOPLE (WALT DISNEY):

1. _____: They discourage you, stomp on your creativity, and tell you what you can’t do.
2. _____: They are well-intentioned but self-absorbed. They tend to their own needs, mow their own lawns, and never leave their yards to help another person.
3. _____: They reach out to enrich the lives of others to lift them up and inspire them.

B. 2 QUESTIONS:

1. Which one of those three _____?
2. Am I different things to different people?

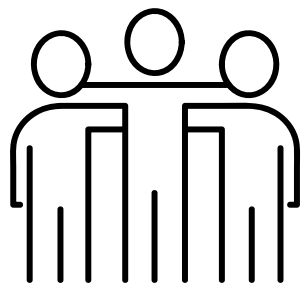
Hebrews 10:24-25 (NLT), Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

C. 2 APPLICATIONS:

1. Write the name of a person you know who needs encouragement.
Be an encouragement to them within the next _____ days.
 - "How do you identify someone who needs encouragement? That person is _____.
(Truett Cathy, Chick-Fil-A founder)
2. Write the name of a person who could do better if they were encouraged.
Put a "_____" on their head and call them to encourage them.
 - "People will go farther than they think they can when someone else thinks they can." (John Maxwell)



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→ DISCUSSION ←

Read & Discuss

Read through the main scripture(s) from the lesson and the Teaching Notes on the back.

Scripture(s): Acts 4:36-37; 9:27-28; 11:25-30

1. What stood out to you from the scripture or the lesson?
2. What do these scriptures tell us about God?
3. What do they tell us about people?

→ GOING DEEPER ←

Reflect

1. Between the Acts 4 passage and the Acts 9 passage, we see two very different types of encouragement: one involves sacrificing monetary things and the other involves potentially sacrificing relationships. (Barnabas was encouraging his friends to do something they obviously didn't want to do.) Which of the two is easiest for you? How can you get better at the one that doesn't come as naturally?
2. How did you see **God** work last week?
3. How is the **Spirit** calling you to be obedient to what you read this week?
4. Who is on your heart to share **Jesus** with this week?

Pray

1. What can you thank God for?
2. What can you ask God to help with?
3. How can God help you be obedient to His word this week?

→ CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION ←

MONDAY
Romans 1:11-12

TUESDAY
Acts 11:22

WEDNESDAY
1 Thess. 5:11

THURSDAY
Acts 15:37-39

FRIDAY
Joshua 1:9