

Sun 5pm - May 25, 2025

Barnabas the Encourager

1. Ac 4:32-37

- a. What does “Barnabas” mean?
- b. Who called him that?
- c. What connection does Luke’s notation about Barnabas’ name have with the context, **vv32-35**? Note esp. **v33b** with the first word of **v34** (NASB; NKJV).
- d. Contrast **5:1-11**.
- e. Compare **2Co 8:1-5; 9:2**. Why did Paul tell the Macedonians about Corinth, and the Corinthians about Macedonia?

2. Ac 9:26-28

- a. What did Parnabas have the impetus to do?
- b. How did his action impact Saul?
- c. Compare **Pro 24:11-12**.
 - i. Can you think of practical applications of this proverb?
 - ii. What might hold us back from getting involved in actions like this?

3. Ac 11:22-26

- a. For what purpose did the Jerusalem church send Barnabas to Antioch? (note **vv22-24**)
- b. What did he devote himself to for a year to further accomplish this goal?
- c. Compare **Ac 13:1**. For thought: Without Barnabas would this church be what it was...?
- d. **Ac 15:36,41; 18:23** What was the aim of Paul’s 2nd and 3rd preaching journeys?

4. Ac 15:36-40

- a. What was the history behind Paul’s decision?
- b. In spite of that, what did Barnabas want to do, and in fact, did?
- c. Compare **Col 4:10; Phm 24; 2Tim 4:11**. What is indicated about Mark later?

5. Gal 2:11-13

- a. What happened to Barnabas on this occasion?
- b. Does it nullify everything we have learned about him and from him? What lessons can we draw from this record? (Note, by the way, who was involved in this incident.)