

TODAY'S LESSON

BARNABAS (part 2)

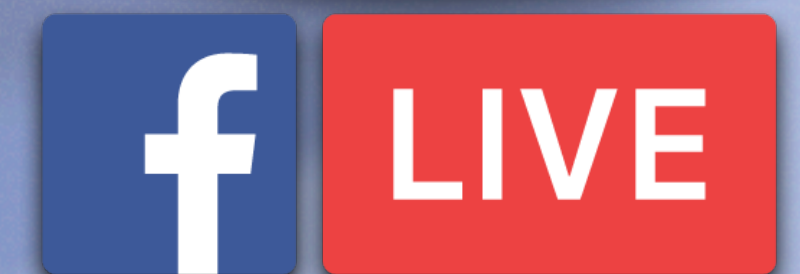
(Acts 11:19-26)

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SON OF ENCOURAGEMENT Part 2

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4 For whatever things **were written before**
were written for our **learning**, that we,
through **the patience** and through **the comfort**
of **the Scriptures**, might have hope. **5** Now may
the God of the patience and **of the comfort**
grant you to **be like-minded toward one**
another, according to Christ Jesus, **6** that you
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24 And **let us think about each other toward how to motivate each other** for **love** and **good works**, **25** **not forsaking** the assembling of **ourselves together**, as some are doing, but **encouraging one another**, especially in view of the approaching Day. (PJV)

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1 Thessalonians 5:14

14 Now we **encourage** (PARAKALEO) you, brethren, **warn the unruly, comfort the fainthearted, uphold the weak, be longsuffering to all.** (PJV)

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He helped Saul, the church in Jerusalem and all churches everywhere to multiply

Barnabas

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Titus 2:11-3:3

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11 For **the grace of God** that **brings salvation** has appeared to **all men**, **12** **teaching us** that, **denying ungodliness** and **worldly lusts**, we **should live soberly, righteously, and godly** in the present age, **13** **looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ**, **14** who **gave Himself** for **us**, that **He might redeem us** from **every lawless deed** and **purify** for **Himself His own special people**, **zealous for good works**.

Titus 2:11-3:3

15 **Speak** these things, **exhort**, and **rebuke** with **all authority**. Let no one despise you. **3:1** **Remind them** to be subject to **rulers and authorities**, to **obey**, to be ready for **every good work**, **2** to **speak evil of no one**, to be **peaceable, gentle**, showing **all humility to all men**. **3** For **we ourselves were** also once **foolish, disobedient**, deceived, serving various **lusts and pleasures**, living in **malice** and **envy, hateful** and **hating** one another.

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Rejoiced in the grace of God at work

Encouraged them...to continue with the Lord

good man (righteous + merciful)

filled with the Holy Spirit **Ephesians 5:18**

filled with faith (a prophet in **Acts 13:1**)

A *great many* people *were added to the Lord*

Barnabas

Things were going very well; a **great many new Christians to teach!** **Matt. 28:18-20**

Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul

He found Saul **Matt. 7:7**

He brought Saul to Antioch to help him

They assembled with the church in Antioch

They together taught a great many people

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Acts 11:27-30

27 And in these days **prophets** came from Jerusalem to Antioch. **28** Then one of them, named **Agabus**, stood up and **showed through the Spirit** that there was going to be a great famine throughout all the world, which also happened in the days of Claudius Caesar. **29** Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in **Judea**. **30** This they also did, and sent it to **the elders** by the hands of **Barnabas and Saul**.

Barnabas

The people **knew** and **trusted** the selfless **attitude** and **examples** of **Barnabas & Saul**

This is why **they were entrusted with the money** that **they gave** to several churches in **Judea**

They finished their work in **Judea** and went **to** (EIS) **Jerusalem** where **Barnabas' cousin Mark** (see **Colossians 4:14**) **joined** them

Acts 12:25

Trusted by apostles; trusted by new saints

