

Barnabas – The Son of Encouragement

1/31/26

- Today – Opportunity to give a Bible study
- Comment – Last Wednesday – I continued my series about Proverbs 6:16-19 – discussing the 7 things that God hates and the 7 things that God loves
- Comment – We were at #4
 - God hates a heart with wicked imaginations (plans)
 - God loves a caring heart with righteous purposes
- Comment – One of the examples of person who had a caring heart = Barnabas
- Title – “Barnabas – The Son of Encouragement”
- (The last time I remember giving a presentation here about Barnabas – 11/10/18)

Acts 4:36-37

Joses (Joseph)

- who was also named Barnabas by the apostles
- (which is translated Son of Encouragement)
 - (King James says – Son of Consolation)
- a Levite of the country of Cyprus
- had land – sold land – gave money to the apostles

Consolation = “paraklesis” (Strong’s #3874) – noun – encouragement, comfort, consolation

“parakaleo” (Strong’s #3870) – verb

to ask, beg, plead

to comfort, encourage, exhort, urge

to call, invite

“parakletos” (Strong’s #3875) – noun – counselor, intercessor, helper
one who encourages and comforts

2 Cor. 1:3

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the God of all comfort (#3874)

who comforts (#3870) us in all our tribulations

that we may be able to comfort (#3870) those with troubles

with the comfort (#3874) by which we ourselves are comforted (#3870)
by God

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our consolation (#3874) abounds through Christ

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when we are afflicted, it is for our consolation (#3874)

when we are comforted (#3870), it is for your consolation (#3874)

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partakers of sufferings – you will also partake of the consolation (#3874)

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told about their trouble in Asia – burdened beyond measure – burdened

above strength – despaired for their life

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sentence of death – not trust in themselves – trust in God

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has delivered – does deliver – will deliver

Some history of Barnabas

Acts 9:25	Barnabas was one of the disciples that put Saul in a basket
26-27	when people were afraid of Saul – he took Saul to the apostles
Acts 11:19-21	during times of persecution – believers scattered
22	they sent Barnabas to Antioch
23	Barnabas encouraged them – to continue with the Lord
24	they viewed him – a good man, full of the Holy Spirit, full of faith
25	Barnabas went to Tarsus – to find Saul
26	they went to Antioch – for a year – first time to be called Christians
27-30	Barnabas & Saul took food to Judea
Acts 13:1	there were 5 men (prophets & teachers)
2	Barnabas and Saul were set apart
5	Mark traveled with them
6-11	Barnabas & Saul confronted a sorcerer
13	John Mark returned to Jerusalem
16-40	Paul's sermon
46-47	Paul and Barnabas – preached boldly
50	some Jews stirred up the prominent women and chief men – persecution against Paul & Barnabas – expelled them
51	they shook the dust off their feet
Acts 14:12-13	Barnabas & Paul – Zeus & Hermes (he was the chief speaker)
14	Barnabas & Paul – tore off their clothes
15-18	Barnabas & Paul – taught about the living God
19	Jews from Antioch & Iconium – stoned Paul
20	Barnabas & Paul went to Derbe
21	they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch
22	strengthening the disciples
Gal. 2:1	Paul, Barnabas & Titus – to Jerusalem
6-9	James, Peter & John – right hand of fellowship
11-13	Paul corrected Peter – who acted differently to the Gentiles (when some of the circumcision came around) – as did Barnabas
Acts 15:2	Paul & Barnabas – to Jerusalem
12	after Peter spoke – Barnabas & Paul spoke
22-25	Judas & Silas went with “our beloved Barnabas & Paul” – share the news
35	Paul & Barnabas – remained in Antioch
36	Paul said – “let’s go back and visit our brethren”
37	Barnabas – wanted to take Mark
38	Paul disapproved of Mark – remember, Mark left (Acts 13:5,13)
39-41	they separated – Barnabas & Mark to Cyprus – Paul & Silas
1 Cor. 9:6	Paul – said good things about Barnabas
Col. 4:10	Paul – told the church to welcome Mark
2 Tim. 4:11	Paul – called Mark useful