

Son of Encouragement

#### Acts 9:26-31

26And when he had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples. And they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. 27But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles and declared to them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who spoke to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus.

## Acts 9:26-31

28So he went in and out among them at Jerusalem, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord. 29And he spoke and disputed against the Hellenists. But they were seeking to kill him. 30And when the brothers learned this, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

## Acts 9:26-31

31So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.

Philemon 1:24 and so do Mark, Aristarchus, <u>Demas</u>, and Luke, <u>my fellow workers</u>.

Col 4:14

Luke the beloved physician greets you, as does **Demas**.

2 Tim 4:10

Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica.

#### Mark

- With the apostles (Acts 12:12)
- In the first mission team (Acts 13:2-5)
- Mark deserts the team (Acts 13:13-14)

## Acts 15:37-39

37Now Barnabas wanted to take with them John called Mark. 38But Paul thought best not to take with them one who had withdrawn from them in Pamphylia and had not gone with them to the work. 39And there arose a sharp disagreement, so that they separated from each other. Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus,

Philemon 1:24 and so does Mark... my fellow worker.

2 Tim 4:11

Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry.

# A Mile in the shoes of Barnabas

1. Every Paul and Mark needs a Barnabas, and everyone can be a Barnabas

### Luke 15:4-7

4"If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them gets lost, what will he do? Won't he leave the ninety-nine others in the wilderness and go to search for the one that is lost until he finds it? 5And when he has found it, he will joyfully carry it home on his shoulders. When he arrives, he will call together his friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me because

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I have found my lost sheep.' 7In the same way, there is more joy in heaven over one lost sinner who repents and returns to God than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance!