



THE FRIENDSHIP FACTOR

ON BUILDING AUTHENTIC RELATIONSHIPS

Sunday,
September 13

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- 1) Portrait of a Friend [2 Sam. 15:32-37, 1 Chron. 27:33]
- 2) Friendship [John 15:9-17]
- 3) Companionship [Gen. 2:18]
- 4) Loyalty [Ruth 1:1-18]
- 5) Intimacy [1 Sam. 18:1-9]
- 6) Forgiveness: [Luke 15:21-32]
- 7) Conflict [Luke 10:38-42]
- 8) Change [Acts 15:36-41]
- 9) Support [Job 2:11-13]
- 10) Greatness [Matt. 20:20-28]



CHANGE

ACTS 15.36-41

No one is immune.

**Differences will arise
between people.**

***Know the power of encouragement in
changing lives.***

***Know the power of the Holy Spirit in
changing lives.***

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Acts 15:36-41

³⁶ Some time later Paul spoke to Barnabas. "Let's go back to all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord," he said. "Let's visit the believers and see how they are doing."

³⁷ Barnabas wanted to take John Mark with them. ³⁸ But Paul didn't think it was wise to take him. Mark had deserted them in Pamphylia. He hadn't continued with them in their work.

³⁹ Barnabas and Paul strongly disagreed with each other. So they went their separate ways. Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus. ⁴⁰ But Paul chose Silas. The believers asked the Lord to give his grace to Paul and Silas as they went. ⁴¹ Paul traveled through Syria and Cilicia. He gave strength to the churches there.

BARNABAS MENTORED JOHN MARK: "I BELIEVE IN YOU."

"My fellow prisoner Aristarchus sends you his greetings, as does Mark, the cousin of Barnabas. (You have received instructions about him; if he comes to you, welcome him.)"

(Col. 4:10)

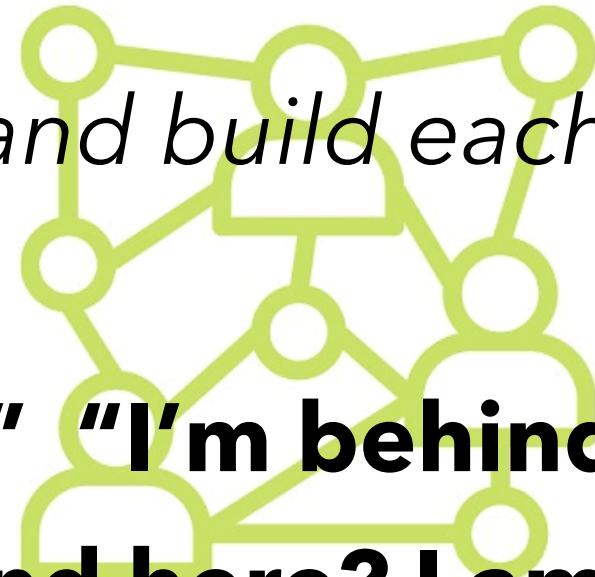
"Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, because he is helpful to me in my ministry." **(2 Tim. 4:11)**

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KNOW THE POWER OF ENCOURAGEMENT IN CHANGING LIVES

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up..." (1 Thess. 5:11)

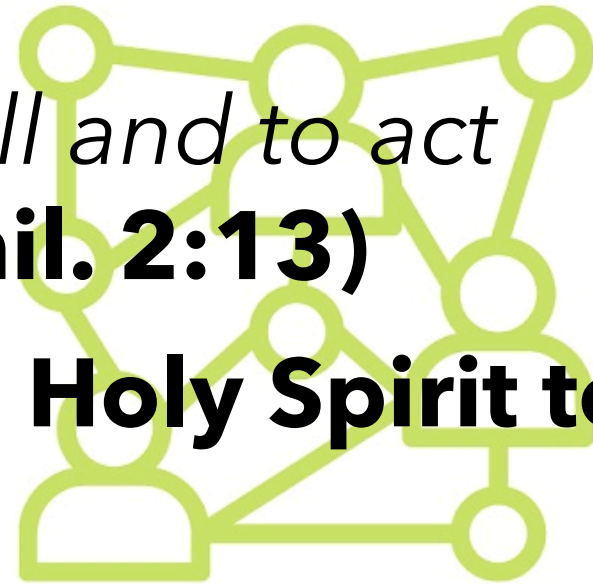
- Tell someone: "I believe in you." "I'm behind you."**
- Ask: "Is there a John Mark around here? I am willing to be his/her Barnabas."**



KNOW THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN CHANGING LIVES

"For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose." **(Phil. 2:13)**

☐ You will change if you allow the Holy Spirit to work in your heart and mind.



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TAKE-AWAYS

Thank God for the Barnabas's in your life.

Ask to be a Barnabas in someone's life.

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**We all need to get used to saying, "PBPGINFWMY",
*Please Be Patient, God Is Not Finished With Me Yet.***

**Turn your life and heart over to the Creator of the Universe
who Loves you so very much He was willing to give up His
life as a sacrifice for your sin. (John 3:16)**

How do you become a Christian?

#1 Come to God and admit that you're a sinner.

#2 Be sorry for your sin, be willing to turn from it, and put your
complete faith in Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord.

#3 Then He will pardon you and forgive you of every sin you've
ever committed.

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