

The Parts God Calls Us to Play:
Barnabas—“*Son of Encouragement*”

ENCOURAGERS GIVE WHAT THEY HAVE IN TIME OF NEED
Acts 4:34-37

A. Barnabas saw what he had as a means to encourage others.

B. If we would play the part of Barnabas, we must see what we have as our God-given means of encouraging others.

ENCOURAGERS BELIEVE IN NEW BEGINNINGS
Acts 9:26-27

A. Barnabas believed in a new beginning in Saul's life.

B. You play the part of Barnabas when you believe in new beginnings.

ENCOURAGERS SEE GOD AT WORK IN UNLIKELY PEOPLE
Acts 11:19-23

A. Barnabas saw God's grace at work in the lives of people who were very different from him.

B. If we would play the part of Barnabas today, we must see the grace of God at work in unlikely people.

ENCOURAGERS WELCOME THE MINISTRY OF OTHERS
Acts 13:1, 42

ENCOURAGERS CHOOSE THOSE WHO NEED THEM MOST
Acts 15:36-40

A. Barnabas gave up his partnership with Paul in order to give encouragement to Mark.

B. Encouragers give their love where it is needed most.

Who are you cheering on in the race of faith?