



Acts 4:36-37 (NIV) <sup>36</sup>Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means Son of Encouragement), <sup>37</sup>sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

**1. Encouragers Believe That It Is Impossible to \_\_\_\_\_ God.**

**2. Encouragers Believe That With God's Help, Anybody Can \_\_\_\_\_.**

*But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. He told them how Saul on his journey had seen the Lord and that the Lord had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had preached fearlessly in the name of Jesus. So Saul stayed with them and moved about freely in Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the name of the Lord. (Acts 9:27-28)*

**3. Encouragers \_\_\_\_\_ Things That Nobody Else Can See.**

*The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord. News of this reached the ears of the church at Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. (Acts 11:21-22)*

*When he arrived and saw the evidence of the grace of God, he was glad and encouraged them all to remain true to the Lord with all their hearts. (Acts 11:23)*

*...So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people... (Acts 11:26)*

*At Iconium Paul and Barnabas went as usual into the Jewish synagogue. There they spoke so effectively that a great number of Jews and Gentiles believed. (Acts 14:1)*

**4. Encouragers Stand With You When You \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Barnabas wanted to take John, also called Mark, with them, but Paul did not think it wise to take him, because he had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not continued with them in the work. They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company. Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus. (Acts 15:37-39)*

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

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*Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching. (Hebrews 10:25)*

**Want to Go Deeper?**

- Memorize 1 Thessalonians 5:11.
- Thank God for the people who encourage you.
- Who needs you to give them encouragement? A second chance?
- If you are ready to accept God's invitation to a new life, let us know and we will help you with next steps.
- Read *The Power of Encouragement* by David Jeremiah.

Please let us know the commitments you are making to God by using the Communication Card. We will pray for you.

Coming Next Week: A Place to Find Life