
The Barnabas Factor

Helping Others Fly

Acts (Selected Passages)

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The Hero Nobody Remembers

- ❶ His _____ is nowhere – His _____ are everywhere.
- ❷ _____ the Apostle – _____ Christians – The Gospel of _____.

FIVE TELLING EPISODES

Helping Others Fly

- ❶ Selling a _____.
Acts 4:34-37/ Luke 16:11/ Proverbs 11:25
- ❷ Sponsoring a former _____.
Acts 9:26-28/ Romans 5:10/ Colossians 3:13
- ❸ Trading _____.
Acts 13:7-14:12/ 3 John 9-10/ Matthew 20:25-28
- ❹ Defending the right to be _____.
Acts 11:19-30 & 15:1-35/ Romans 14:1-15:7/ 1 Corinthians 3:3-9
- ❺ Offering a second _____.
Acts 15:35-40/ Matthew 7:1-3/ Matthew 18:21-35

HELPING OTHERS FLY

- ❶ It takes personal _____.
- ❷ We can't be afraid of _____.
- ❸ We have to judge by the _____ not the _____.
- ❹ We have to focus on _____ not _____.

Home Fellowship Questions

Looking back at this week's teaching on "Helping Others Fly" what one thing particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. This week we saw how Barnabas constantly helped others fly. Can you think of any ways others have helped you fly? If so, explain.
2. Have you ever found it difficult to be on the receiving end of someone's efforts to help you fly? If so, why do think that was so?
3. Jonathan, the son of King Saul, gives us another great example of helping someone else fly above our own accomplishments. His friendship with David (of David from David & Goliath fame) is found in 1 Samuel. As you read the verses below, what specific actions, attitudes or principles can we learn from Jonathan about helping others excel beyond ourselves?

1 Samuel 18:1-4

1 Samuel 19:1-7

1 Samuel 20:12-17

How does Philippians 2:3-4 add to what it takes to help others fly?

Referring to what you wrote above, how might these insights help you help others to fly in the following settings? (Use only those that apply to you.)

- In the work place
- With friends
- As a parent
- Other

4. Jesus is our ultimate model of helping others fly. What principles from this weekend's teaching do you see Jesus putting into action to help Peter fly in John 21:15-19 (don't forget, Peter was the disciple that denied Jesus)?

How do you think Peter felt knowing that he had failed Christ in one of the biggest ways in the recent past?

5. Most of our focus this week has been on how to help others to fly. Another important part of the conversation is checking to see if we are allowing others to help us fly. What do the following verses tell us about what it takes for others to be allowed to help us fly higher?

Proverbs 15:22

Proverbs 27:5-6

Proverbs 28:13

Which one of these verses is most challenging for you and why?

1. Looking back at this week's teaching and study, what one thing is most important for you to remember and apply? Why?

2. Is there anyone you need to thank for the role they've played in helping you fly higher – particularly anyone who might not know it?

3. Are there any changes in your attitude or actions that you need to make in order to become more like Barnabas (helping others to fly)?