

**Title:** Glorious Courage  
**Series:** Glory  
**Scripture:** Acts 9: 26-31  
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## Who are the 4 “Main” Joseph’s in the Bible?

### Acts 4:36-37 ESV

36 Thus Joseph, who was also called by the apostles Barnabas (which means son of encouragement), a Levite, a native of Cyprus, 37 sold a field that belonged to him and brought the money and laid it at the apostles’ feet.

### Courage and Encouragement

**We tend to be more enamored with heroes than hero makers**

**But it takes more courage to be a hero maker than a hero**

*“Courage Dealers”—Dan Nichols*

If you want to experience greater glory, be a \_\_\_\_\_ dealer for Jesus in your sphere of influence.

Biblical Encouragement:

*“Coming \_\_\_\_\_ someone else, \_\_\_\_\_ them to Jesus, and giving them the \_\_\_\_\_ to be who God wants them to be and do what God’s calling them to do.” — Dan Nichols*

### Parakaleo

Encouragement means, “to call \_\_\_\_\_ to your \_\_\_\_\_”.

## 1. Biblical Encouragement is rooted in \_\_\_\_\_

### Romans 1:11-12 ESV

11 For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you—12 that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other’s faith, both your and mine.

## 2. Biblical Encouragement \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ well with others

### 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 ESV

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, 4 who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

## 3. Biblical Encouragement is described throughout \_\_\_\_\_

Ephesians 4:1 - It's Urging / Motivating

1 Thessalonians 2:11-12

1 Thessalonians 5:11

2 Thessalonians 3:11-12 - It Calls Out Sin

Hebrews 10:24-25 - It Models

Jude 3 - It Appeals to What Matters Most

## 4. Biblical Encouragement focuses on \_\_\_\_\_ instead of \_\_\_\_\_

### Acts 9:26

And 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.

### Acts 9:27

But 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.

There would be no \_\_\_\_\_, without \_\_\_\_\_!

### Acts 9:31

So 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.

### Acts 13:7

He was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, a man of intelligence, who summoned Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God

### Acts 13:43

And after the meeting of the synagogue broke up, many Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who, as they spoke with them, urged them to continue in the grace of God.

### **How should we encourage?**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Gift of Presence)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Vulnerable)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Tangible Worth)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Flattery Free)

\_\_\_\_\_ (Leverage Losses)

### **Who needs you to be a Barnabas?**