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The Ministry of

Encouragement

³²All the believers were united in heart and mind. And they felt that what they owned was not their own, so they shared everything they had. ³³The apostles testified powerfully to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and God's great blessing was upon them all. ³⁴There were no needy people among them, because those who owned land or houses would sell them ³⁵and bring the money to the apostles to give to those in need.

Acts 4:32-35

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When God's blessing Is upon us
 we will _____ for one another

One Specific Example Barnabas: "Son of Encouragement"

³⁶For instance, there was Joseph, the one the apostles nicknamed Barnabas (which means "Son of Encouragement"). He was from the tribe of Levi and came from the island of Cyprus. ³⁷He sold a field he owned and brought the money to the apostles.

Acts 4:36-37

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Memory Verse

"So encourage each other and build each other up, just as you are already doing." 1 Thessalonians 5:11

MY NEXT STEP IS TO. . .

- O Commit my life to Jesus Christ by receiving Him as my Lord and Savior for the first time
- O Get the most out of today's message by signing up for a Life Group where I can be encouraged and encourage others.
- $\ensuremath{\mathsf{O}}$ Look for opportunities to be an encourager this week
- O Memorize 1 Thessalonians 5:11



