

How to Encourage Others

25 October - Ron Aulbach

Acts 4:23-31

LIFE

Building life giving relationships

CATCH UP: Spend 20-30 minutes catching up with each member of the group and sharing prayer requests. Make sure to spend a few minutes praying for each other.

YOUR STORY: If you have the “story cards”, lay them out on the table and ask everyone in the group to pick a picture that reminds them of something that made them laugh recently. Without the cards, share a highlight of your last week.

GOD

Growing more like Jesus together

ENGAGE THE MESSAGE:

1. Pastor Ron talked about how we can either encourage people by building them up or we can drag them down. We can either be a balcony person who cheers people on like a spectator in the stands, or a basement person that is drawn to criticism and bringing others low. Would you describe yourself as a balcony person or a basement person? What do others think?
2. Who are the people in your life that encourage you? Who are the people that you find it easy to encourage and those that are hard for you to encourage? Why?
3. How does the life of Barnabus encourage you? What elements of his life and journey are you going to live out?
4. **Read** Hebrews 3:13 together.

OTHERS

Loving God and loving others

FALL SERVE: As a group discuss how you can serve our community together this fall. Check out the bridgeway website and the “serve app” for ideas to serve with us! If you didn't pick a date and idea last time, choose one this week.

ENCOURAGE OTHERS: Who can you encourage in your life this week? How can you do that?