

“Friendship And Mission”

Sunday Service, 13th Dec 2015

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Jesus -Balanced between Friendship and Mission

Matthew 11:19 -He is a friend of tax collector and sinner.

Luke 15:2 -He welcomes sinners and eat with them.

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Friendship Without Mission -
Inwardly Focus

Mission Without Friendship-
Burn Out And Result-Oriented

Paul & Barnabas

- Paul - old name was Saul
- A Jew
- Zealous for GOD, fully trained in the law of Old testament
- BUT he persecuted Christians, he didn't believe in Jesus.
- He got baptised after encountered with Jesus on the road to Damascus
- Acts 9 & Acts 22

Paul & Barnabas

- Barnabas
- Old name was Joseph
- Barnabas means “Son Of Encouragement”
- He sold his field and brought the money into the apostles’ feet.
- He was a good man, full of Holy Spirit and Faith
- Reference : Acts 4, Acts 11: 24

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- When he came to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he really was a disciple. ²⁷**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.

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- **Then Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul,** ²⁶ and when he found him, **he brought him to Antioch.** So for a whole year Barnabas and Saul met with the church and taught great numbers of people. The disciples were called Christians first at Antioch.

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- Some time later Paul said to Barnabas, “Let us go back and visit the believers in all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing.”
³⁷Barnabas wanted to take John, also called Mark, with them, ³⁸but 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. ³⁹They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company.
Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus, ⁴⁰but Paul chose Silas and left, commended by the believers to the grace of the Lord. ⁴¹He went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

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- Did Paul resolve conflict with Barnabas ? 1 Corinthians 9:6, Galatians 2: 11-13

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- Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. ² While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” ³ So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

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- They preached the gospel in that city and won a large number of disciples. Then they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch, ²²strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. “We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God,” they said. ²³Paul and Barnabas appointed elders_[a] for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust.

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- Friendship with Phua Hee and Angelia, Steven Chin.

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Thank You !
Merry Christmas & Happy New
Year In Advance !
To GOD be The Glory. Amen!