

### **SERMON OUTLINE FOR SEPTEMBER 28, 2014**

# "Who Needs Encouragement"

Philippians 2:1-11

### INTRODUCTION:

The <u>old fly</u> swatter: not the encouragement mother needed...

## I. OUR NEED FOR ENCOURAGEMENT

- A. The Church at Philippi (Philippians 2:1-5)
- B. You and I today
- C. The devil's best tool: discouragement

#### II. BARNABAS THE ENCOURAGER

- A. Setting aside personal rights for others (Acts 4:36-37)
- B. Standing by others (Acts 9:26-27)
- C. Focusing on the positive (Acts 11:22-23)
- D. Encouraging faithfulness in others (Acts 11:23-24)
- E. Promoting others (Acts 11:25-26)

## III. JESUS, OUR ENCOURAGER

- A. Crucified personal rights (Philippians 2:5-7)
- B. Faithful to death (Philippians 2:8)
- C. Alive forevermore to encourage us (Philippians 2:9-11)

#### **CONCLUSION:**

Two sleeping sentinels & their generals . . . just one general was an encourager