

SERMON OUTLINE - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2017

"Who Needs Encouragement?"

Philippians 2:1-11

INTRODUCTION: *The old fly 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