

## Encouraging Disciples

### Lesson 2 — Student Guide

**Prepare for class:** Read Acts 9:19-30 and Acts 11:19-26

#### Lesson Goal

To encourage a Barnabas-like attitude in the students so that they patiently encourage others to be sharers of the Word. You will also introduce The TELL Network Multiplication Plan to assist Chain of Disciples participants as they encourage others to carry out their plans for the work of the Gospel.

#### Think

#### Evaluate

1. Who are the characters in this story?
2. What are the objects in this story?
3. Where did this story happen?
4. When did this story happen?
5. What is the problem?
6. What events occurred in this story?
7. Is the problem solved?

#### Learn

8. What is the main theme of this lesson?
9. What sin does this lesson teach us to confess?
10. Where do you see the love of God in this lesson?
11. What does God teach us to do in this lesson?

#### Lead

12. What would be a good situation in which to share this message?

#### Discussion

13. Read Galatians 1:11-24. We normally think of disciples as those who teach the Word of God. However, Paul emphatically makes the point in this passage that his instruction came directly from the Lord. He did not need Barnabas to teach him. If Barnabas did not teach Paul biblical doctrine, what was his role?

14. How can we emulate Barnabas in the way that we work with others?
15. What is wrong with the following statement: “Since the power is in the Word, the only ministry plan we should have is preach the Word. Anything beyond that is replacing the means of grace with human methods”?

**Lesson wrap-up**

**How can we follow Barnabas’s example to be an encourager of and to walk alongside a fellow disciple?**