

Paul's ministry of encouragement

Acts 20:7-24

We are not here to just “meet 'n greet”, but to edify and encourage. We should invest greatly in the spiritual health of each other by sharing burdens, praying, talking, correcting, and loving the body.

I. *Encouraging* _____ (vv. 7-16).

A. How did Paul minister to them (vv. 7-11)?

1. Meeting with them on the Lord's _____.
2. Joining with them in commemorating the Lord's _____.
3. Teaching them the Lord's _____.
4. Demonstrating to them the Lord's _____.

B. What should be the result of this ministry (v. 12)?

Barnabus of Cyprus was the “son of encouragement.” He lived to promote Christ and edify Christians. He wasn't perfect, but he was used of God.

Encourage your _____ by your faithfulness, teachable spirit, prayers and service.

Encourage your _____ in Christ by bearing one another's burdens (Gal 6:2).

Be encouraged today by the Word and involved in encouraging with the Word.