

A Parting of the Ways

Acts 15:35-41

Sometimes _____ will spit up friendships and even churches.

Paul and Barnabas' argument was over whether to take _____ on their journey.

Paul was a very strong, _____ leader. with little patience for anyone not as dedicated as he was.

Barnabas was a _____ encourager.

Acts 13:5, 13 *"When they arrived at Salamis, Barnabas and Paul proclaimed the word of God in the Jewish synagogues. John was with them as their helper... John _____ them to return to Jerusalem."*

Paul wanted to go back and encourage the churches started on their first journey.

Barnabas also wanted to go and bring John Mark back with them to _____ and to grow.

Barnabas knew that Mark had great _____ but needed another chance.

Paul only saw the _____.

The church needs both driven _____ who will break open new fields, and visionaries who _____ to do the work of ministry.

Acts 15:39-41 *They had such a _____ disagreement that they _____ company.*

Barnabas took _____ and sailed for Cyprus

Paul took _____ and went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

John Mark grew up on his journeys with Barnabas. Paul and Mark would _____ and serve together. (See 2 Timothy 4:11 and Colossians 4:10)

There are some lessons that we can walk away with today.

1. When problems happen _____ before splitting.

2. Seek to _____.

2. The work of God requires _____ the spiritual gifts God gives His Church.

4. Commit to _____ younger believers toward leadership.