

TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

THE ONGOING WORK OF JESUS BY THE SPIRIT THROUGH THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

The Book of Acts - Part 12

“SILENCE IS NOT AN OPTION”

“Understanding the Ultimate Motives for Ministry”

(Acts 5:17-42)

INTRODUCTION:

REVIEW: ACTS 5:1-11

- Pride, Pretense and Prejudice have been greater threats to the church and her mission than persecution.
- Falsehood destroys Fellowship.
- _____ is essential for _____. (v. 12-16)

“At the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were taking place among the people; and they were all with one accord in Solomon’s portico. But none of the rest dared to associate with them....”

1A. THE NARRATIVE AND ITS _____ FROM THE APOSTLES’ PERSPECTIVE:

1B. The Apostles’ _____ : (v. 17-18)

“...laid hands on the apostles and put them in a public jail.”

2B. The Apostles’ _____ : (v. 19-24)

“But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the gates of the prison,...”

3B. The Apostles’ _____ : (v. 25-26)

“But someone came and reported to them, ‘The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people!’

4B. The Apostles’ _____ : (v. 27-29)

“The high priest questioned them, saying, ‘We gave you strict orders not to continue teaching in this name, and yet, you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and intend to bring this man’s blood upon us.’ But Peter and the apostles answered, ‘We must obey God rather than men.’”

5B. The Apostles' _____ : (v. 30-32)

"The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you had put to death by hanging Him on a cross. He is the one whom God exalted to His right hand as a Prince and a Savior, to grant repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey Him."

6B. The Apostles' _____ : (v. 33-39)

"But when they heard this, they were cut to the quick and intended to kill them. But a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the Law, respected by all the people, stood up in the Council and gave orders to **put the men outside for a short time.**"

7B. The Apostles' _____ : (v. 40-41)

"They took his advice; and after **calling the apostles in, they flogged them and ordered them not to speak in the name of Jesus,** and then released them. So they went on their way from the presence of the Council, **rejoicing that they had been considered worthy to suffer shame for His name.**"

8B. The Apostles' _____ : (v. 42)

"And every day, in the temple and from house to house, **they kept right on teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.**"

2A. THE NARRATIVE AND ITS _____ FROM THE APOSTLES' PERSPECTIVE:

1B. The _____ Matters!

2B. The _____ Matters!

3B. The _____ Matters!

CONCLUSION: