

## 1: Opening

- Weekly Christian Formation
- **Question 11** \*What does God require in the ninth and tenth commandments?
- Answer. Ninth, that we do not lie or deceive, but speak the truth in love. Tenth, that we are content, not envying anyone or resenting what God has given them or us.
- Scripture Reference. James 2:8

## 2: July 14 Sermon - Study Questions

- Acts 4:23-31
- Pray for God's wisdom to rightly understand the passage
- Questions
- 1. Light Opener: After going through a stressful experience, what do you do to unwind?
- 2. What is the immediate context of this passage? Briefly summarize what has transpired in the book of Acts thus far.
- 3. How did the believers respond to the apostles' report? What can we learn from this example?
- 4. When we pray, why is it helpful to recall the way God has acted in the past? Why is it helpful to use scripture to do that?

- 5. a. In what ways did the Apostles focus on the character of God as they prayed? How can focusing on God's character increase your boldness in prayer?
  b. Think through these character traits of God: Sovereign, Loving, Wise, Powerful, etc. How can each of these specifically bring boldness to your prayers?
- 6. How can your faith in God be expressed through the prayers you pray?
- 7. When was the last time you were amazed by the power of prayer?

## 3: Closing

- Prayer: Reserve plenty of time to pray for one another.
- Prayer Challenge: Pray that God would provide opportunities for you to share Christ with people.
- Pray that you would make the most of every opportunity (Col 4:2-6).

\*\*Weekly Christian Formation Questions are taken from the New City Catechism