

**Opening Questions:** Share the most amazing thing you have ever been a part of or seen.  
Do you believe in miracles? What makes something miraculous?

### **Review the book of Acts chapters 3-5:**

**Acts 3:1-11** - Peter & John heal the man lame from birth. Everyone hears about this.

- The man was just looking for a hand out - But what he received was so much more.
- **Notice how all involved in the story responded. How would you have responded?**
- **This all start with Peter and John “gazing” upon this broken man!**
  - **Who have you noticed a need lately? How did you respond? How did God show up?**

**Acts 4:7-13** - Peter & John are arrested but not before 5000 men are saved.

- verse 13 holds the key to why these men were a part of the miraculous.
- **How did this MIRACLE open the door for the story of Jesus to be glorified?**
- **How might this be an example of Civil Disobedience? (vs. 19-20)**

### **How does your life give an ACCOUNT for who Jesus is?**

**Acts 5:1-11** - Summarizes an amazing story of the power and awe of God. Take a few moments and RE-READ this passage.

- **How would you have responded if you were there? What might this cause others to think about WHO God is? (Mean? Intolerant? Righteous? Just?)**

**Acts 5:12-27** - The apostles were healing many. People were lining the streets to be healed.

Then, after the arrest and imprisonment, an angel freed them and told them to go to the temple and teach the there.

- **What were people expecting to happen to them if they came in contact with the Apostles?**
- **How did Peter & John respond to being freed from prison?**

Bottom Line is this... The apostles and early Christ Followers were obedient to God's leading. They found themselves in positions to give God glory by giving a defense for why they were able to do what they were doing. They constantly directed all who asked or accused them to God and His story.

When we act in FAITH we can be a part of something bigger than ourselves.

**PRAYER:** God help me to listen and be aware when your Holy Spirit is not only leading me and giving me the ability to respond in miraculous ways.