

Persecution Driven by Jealousy (Acts 5:17-26) **9/24/23**

Introduction

The world respects our _____, but despises our message.

Persecution is the result of obediently fulfilling the Lord's _____.

A _____, powerful church will inevitably provoke a _____ reaction from the satanic world system.

Notes from [1 Peter 2:20](#); [3:16-17](#); and [4:12-16](#):

Arrest Motivated by Jealousy (vv. 17-18)

Notes on the characters carrying out this second round of persecution:

[High priest](#) (Caiaphas and Annas) =

[Sadducees](#) =

[Officers](#) =

[Captain of the Temple guard](#) =

[The Council](#) (Sanhedrin/Senate) =

Luke was evidently indicating the full weight of _____, legal, and religious _____ being brought to bear against the apostles.

[filled \(pimplemi\)](#) =

[jealousy \(zelos\)](#) =

The leaders acted in a way that _____ demonstrated their authority over the apostles.

Rescued and Recommissioned (vv. 19-21a)

If the leaders acted publicly to assert their _____ over the apostles,

God's angel acted _____ to rescue and recommission them.

Notes on how the [angel of God](#) freed the apostles:

Notes on what the [angel of God](#) told the apostles to do:

[The way of this life](#) refers to everything about the _____ of Jesus Christ.

God, through His angel, told them to _____ rulers who had overstepped their bounds as _____ of the state.

The apostles chose to _____ obey and leave the consequences to God.

Confusion and Consternation (vv. 21b-26)

Notes on the confusion of the leaders over this miraculous escape:

God wanted the Jewish leaders to be completely bewildered that every _____ they tried to stop the apostles _____.

[greatly perplexed \(diaporeo\)](#) =

The Jewish leaders had been humiliated by their _____ to stop these men by the authority vested in their _____.

Notes on their efforts to get the apostles to the Council:

The Holy Spirit was fully in _____ of the situation, bringing glory to God.