

Acts 4:5-31

Timeless Truth: The Holy Spirit empowers followers to boldly proclaim the Gospel no matter the opposition.

Habitude - a habitual temperament or attitude that shapes consistent behaviors

THREE SPIRITUAL HABITUDES

1. Boldly stand for the gospel with confidence in the resurrection (vv 5-14)

High Priest Family Tree

The Question – “by what power or in what name have you done this (the healing of the lame man)?”

Peter’s Bold Answer – How did Peter have faith to answer their question?

Luke 12:11-12

Religious Leader’s Reaction – why were they amazed and what did they recognize?

How would people recognize that you spend time with Jesus?

2. Boldly share what Jesus has done and is doing in your life (vv 15-22)

Objector's dilemma (vv. vv. 15-17)

Peter's Response (vv. 18-20)

Objectors couldn't stop God's glory – vv. 21-22

What has Jesus done in your life, and what is He doing now?

3. Boldly pray the Holy Spirit fills us to speak God's Word with uncommon courage (vv 23-31)

Bold Prayer

Five aspects of God's sovereignty

- (1) Over creation
- (2) Over evil men who are hostile to God's divine plans
- (3) Over conspiracies against Christ
- (4) Over Christ's servants to boldly speak God's Word
- (5) Over believers to be filled with the Holy Spirit

If the Spirit indwells within us as believers, then why does the Scripture say we are to be filled?

Ephesians 5:15-20

Galatians 5:16-25

What shift in thinking do you need to make so that the Spirit gives you boldness to speak with uncommon courage?

Read Acts 4:32-5:42 for next week | Memory Verse: Ephesians 3:14-16