



FIRST BAPTIST

How to Respond to a Close Call

Acts Series

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1. Join with others in _____ (v. 23-24)

2. Keep a scriptural _____ on life (v. 25-26)

3. Steep your mind in God's _____ (v. 27-28)

4. Pray big _____ (v. 29-31)
 - a. Of _____ (v. 29)
 - b. For the _____ (v. 30)
 - c. That lead to _____ (v. 31)

Acts 4:23-31 ESV – ²³When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. ²⁴And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, “Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, ²⁵who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit,

“Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain?

²⁶The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers were gathered together, against the Lord and against his Anointed’—²⁷for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, ²⁸to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. ²⁹And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, ³⁰while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus.” ³¹And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.