



COURAGEOUS FAITH

THE BOOK OF ACTS

Bible study for the week starting September 4, 2022

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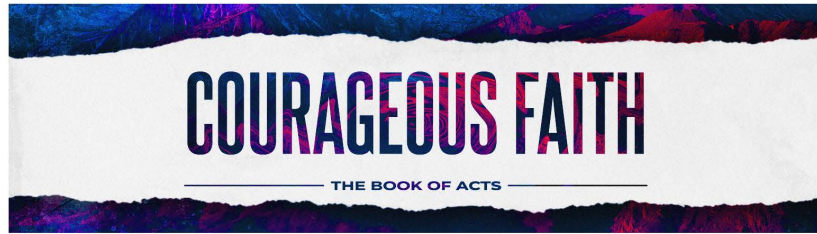
1. How is your family when it comes to arguments and disagreements? Did you come from a family that avoided conflict? Created conflict? Or were your disagreement free?
2. Because of your family or upbringing: How did you learn to disagree? Which family member had which style and who do you most resemble?

READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Read **Acts 6:8-15**. Then read **Mark 14:55-65**
 - a. Compare these stories. What similarities do you notice? Any differences?
2. Stephen's life AND words sound a lot like Jesus. How do you think you would respond if you were in a similar situation?
3. Read **Luke 21: 10-19**
 - a. Does this verse bring you fear or comfort? Why?
4. Read **James 1:19** and reflect on your responses this week in your disagreements.
5. Read **Proverbs 15:4** How do you plan to spend your words this week?

PRAY

6. Pray: For the persecuted Christians around the world. That they may be bold in the face of opposition. Pray also for our witness in the midst of our strongly held beliefs, that we would be faithful in agreement and our words be grace-filled in conflict.



Courageous Faith: WORDS

Acts 6:8-15

September 4, 2022 – Pastor Ben Schrank

- 1) You can't control the OUTCOME of your words...but you can control the FAITHFULNESS of your words.

Magic is meant to CONCEAL, a Miracle is meant to REVEAL.

2 Step Guide to Discerning the Spirit

- 1) God's Spirit never contradicts God's Word.
 - 2) God's Spirit will always point us to Jesus.
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- 2) Disagreements require LOVE.
 - Quick to LISTEN
 - Slow to SPEAK
 - Slow to become ANGRY
 - 3) May our words win ~~arguments~~ LIFE

For next week, read Acts 7:1-53.