

An aerial, high-angle view of a city street at night. The street is illuminated by warm yellow and orange lights, creating a strong contrast with the dark blue and black shadows. Light trails from moving vehicles stretch across the road, adding a sense of motion. On the left, buildings and streetlights are visible. On the right, a large, stylized white logo with orange and blue outlines reads 'SPINOFF'. The 'O' in 'SPINOFF' is significantly larger than the other letters and is positioned vertically, extending from the top of the frame down to the bottom. The overall composition is dynamic and modern.

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SETTING THE STANDARD

ACTS 5:1-11

Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. ² With his wife's full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles' feet. ³ Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? ⁴ Didn't it belong to you before it was sold?"

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And after it was sold, wasn't the money at your disposal? What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied just to human beings but to God.”

⁵ When Ananias heard this, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard what had happened.

⁶ Then some young men came forward, wrapped up his body, and carried him out and buried him. ⁷ About three hours later his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. ⁸ Peter asked her, “Tell me, is this the price you and Ananias got for the land?”

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“Yes,” she said, “that is the price.”⁹ Peter said to her, “How could you conspire to test the Spirit of the Lord? Listen! The feet of the men who buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out also.”¹⁰ At that moment she fell down at his feet and died. Then the young men came in and, finding her dead, carried her out and buried her beside her husband.¹¹ Great fear seized the whole church and all who heard about these events.

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WHAT IS GOING ON IN

ACTS 5?

ANANIAS



***GOD IS
GRACIOUS***

SAPPHIRA



***PRECIOUS &
BEAUTIFUL***

**GOD WAS
SETTING THE
STANDARD!**

ACTS 5:1

Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, **ALSO** sold a piece of property.

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“Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means “son of encouragement”), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles’ feet. Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. With his wife’s full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles’ feet.”

Acts 4:36-Acts 5:2

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**“The Standard...
Is the Standard.”**



***GOD WAS
SETTING THE
STANDARD.***

GALATIANS 6:7-8

Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.⁸ Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

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GOD'S GRACE DOES
NOT LOWER GOD'S

STANDARD.

ACTS 5:11

Great fear seized the whole church and all who heard about these events.

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PROTECTING THE PURITY OF
THE EARLY CHURCH BY
PRODUCING A HEALTHY

FEAR OF THE LORD

GOD WAS ESTABLISHING THE

PRIESTHOOD.

LEV 10:1-2

Aaron's sons Nadab and Abihu took their censers, put fire in them and added incense; and they offered unauthorized fire before the Lord, contrary to his command. ² So fire came out from the presence of the Lord and consumed them, and they died before the Lord.

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GOD WAS ESTABLISHING
LIFE IN THE

PROMISED LAND.

JOSHUA 7:1

But the Israelites were unfaithful in regard to the devoted things; Achan... took some of them. So the Lord's anger burned against Israel.

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JOSHUA 7:19-21

Then Joshua said to Achan, “My son, give glory to the Lord, the God of Israel, and honor him. Tell me what you have done; do not hide it from me.”²⁰ Achan replied, “It is true! I have sinned against the Lord, the God of Israel. This is what I have done:

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²¹ When I saw in the plunder a beautiful robe from Babylonia, two hundred shekels of silver and a bar of gold weighing fifty shekels, I coveted them and took them. They are hidden in the ground inside my tent, with the silver underneath.”

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ACHAN **TOOK**
SOME OF THEM

ANANIAS **KEPT**
BACK PART OF
THE MONEY
FOR HIMSELF

NOSPHIZŌ

TO SEPARATE,
STEAL, EMBEZZLE

WITHHOLDING SOMETHING
THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE

DEVOTED TO GOD

1. RECOGNIZE GOD
STILL TAKES SIN

SERIOUSLY

2 LIVE WITH A
HEALTHY & HOLY

FEAR OF GOD