

An open book is shown from a top-down perspective. The left page is aged and yellowed, with some faint, illegible text visible. The right page is a clean, white sheet of paper. The book's spine and the edges of many other pages are visible at the bottom. The overall lighting is soft and natural.

# THE BOOK OF ACTS:

GOD'S PLAN FOR HIS CHURCH



Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common.

**Acts 4:32**

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***“Unity in Community”***



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## ANANIAS & SAPPHIRA

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ACTS 4:32-5:11

### Acts 5:1-4 (NLT)

But there was a certain man named Ananias who, with his wife, Sapphira, sold some property. He brought part of the money to the apostles, claiming it was the full amount. With his wife's consent, he kept the rest.

Then Peter said, "Ananias, why have you let Satan fill your heart? You lied to the Holy Spirit, and you kept some of the money for yourself. The property was yours to sell or not sell, as you wished. And after selling it, the money was also yours to give away. How could you do a thing like this? You weren't lying to us but to God!"

***"The Threat"***



***“Threats to Church Unity”***



## A. Conversions

**ACTS 5:12-14** And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch. 13 Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. 14 And **believers were increasingly added to the Lord,** multitudes of both men and women,

*“Response to the Threat”*



## B. More faith & more miracles

**ACTS 5:15-16** so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid *them* on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. 16 Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed.

“Ministry Moves Ahead”