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# How The Church Grows

Acts : The Holy Spirit at Work

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## THE CHURCH GROWS AS IT IS PURIFIED

- *Having The Right Stuff –*
  - *The Acts Church Is United And Selfless*
  - *The Acts Church Has A Powerful Testimony*
  - *The Acts Church Has A Spirit Of Generosity*

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## THE CHURCH GROWS AS IT IS PURIFIED

- *The Church Gets Rid Of The Wrong Stuff*
  - *They Reject The Seeking Of Personal Recognition*
  - *They Reject A Lying In Testimony*
  - *They Avoid Things That Lead To God's Judgment*

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## THE CHURCH GROWS AND IT IS POWER FILLED

- *Growing Through Signs And Wonders*
- *Growing Through Public Meeting Despite Threats*
- *Commitment Is Tested In Order To Join The Church*
- *Growing As God Uses Peter Supernaturally*
- *Growing Through Community Reaching – They Reach Jerusalem's Suburbs*

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## THE CHURCH GROWS AS IT PERSISTS

- *Satan Attacks Through Persecution*
- *God Intervenes And Sets Them Free*
- *They Persist In Their Mission*
- *They Receive Unlikely Help*
- *They Rejoice To Be Counted Worthy Of Suffering*

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1. According to [Acts 4](#), the early church demonstrated unity and selflessness by

- never disagreeing with one another.
- financially taking care of one another.
- fellowshiping together.
- keeping their possessions to themselves.

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2. The focus of the Christian message is

- Christ's death and resurrection.
- water baptism.
- the second coming of Christ.
- judgment of God.

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### 3. Barnabas

- sold a field and gave the money to the apostles.
- was a Levite and his name means "Son of Encouragement."
- was a Jew from the island of Cyprus.
- was all of the above.



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4. The main principle to be learned from the account of Ananias and Sapphira is that

- keeping money for ourselves is sin in God's eyes.
- God hates lying and desires integrity among His people.
- all believers are to sell their possessions and give them to the church.
- all believers are to live in poverty.

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5. One of the marks of a powerful church is

- signs and wonders.
- generosity.
- honesty.
- strong attendance.

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6. According to [Acts 5](#), when faced by threats and warnings, the believers

- fled for their lives.
- hid in their homes.
- continued to meet publicly.
- did all of the above.

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7. In the book of Acts, persecution of the church came from

- unbelieving Jews.
- Sadducees.
- the Sanhedrin.
- all of the above.

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8. After the apostles were flogged for preaching Christ they
- rejoiced that they were worthy to suffer for Christ.
  - returned to their homes discouraged.
  - scattered to different parts of the region.
  - no longer publicly proclaimed Christ.

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9. Gamaliel recommended that the apostles be

- flogged.
- released.
- killed.
- stoned.

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10. According to the Bible, suffering and persecution
- are to be avoided by Christians.
  - should be expected.
  - will destroy the church.
  - are a result of sin.