

BEYOND Beyond Walls

TALK IT OVER

Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step. If you're leading a city group through this guide, don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick out those questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group.

With your Bible, read Acts 4:1-22.

In this passage, Peter and John exhibit such boldness before the Sadducees that it tremendously impacted those around them.

Key Scripture

¹⁰ let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that ^[a]by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—^[b]by ^[c]this name this man stands here before you in good health. ¹¹ ^[d]He is the stone which was rejected by you, the builders, but which became the chief cornerstone. ¹² And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved." Acts 4:10-13

Big Idea: BOLDNESS IS BEHAVIOR BORN OUT OF BELIEF.

Key Points

- 1) GOD GIVES ORDINARY PEOPLE EXTRAORDINARY BOLDNESS.
- 2) BOLDNESS WILL AMAZE THE WORLD.
- 3) SPIRITUAL BOLDNESS COMES FROM KNOWING JESUS CHRIST.

Start Talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- What's one of the most amazing acts of boldness that you've seen?
- What can you learn about being bold for Christ from Peter and John's example in Acts 4?
- Peter and John's boldness amazed the Sadducees. Who could benefit from your being bold for Christ?

Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Peter and John were ordinary people who spoke and acted with boldness. How do you think being bolder for Christ would impact you and your relationship with God?
- How would you rate your current level of boldness? What's keeping you from being bold?
- In what areas of life do you most need amazing boldness?

Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- Boldness is behavior born out of belief. What beliefs about yourself do you need to change that are keeping you from living with amazing boldness?
- Describe a time when you were bold. What was the outcome of your boldness and what did you learn from it?
- Who would you describe as being amazingly bold for Christ? What about their boldness inspires you?

Start Doing. 5-Day Micro Devotional

- As Jesus builds your faith, your boldness will also grow. What steps do you need to take immediately to grow your faith in Christ?
- Ask God to reveal what He would like boldness in your life to look like.
- Thank God for the bold people He has placed in your life who have helped you grow your faith in Christ.
- Ask God to develop amazing boldness in all areas of your life and in your faith in Christ.
- Ask God to deepen your faith in Him so that boldness will result out of your faith.

Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power.

- Pray for those you feel would benefit in their faith by your boldness. Ask God to give you the boldness you need to impact them.

Dinner Discussion.

- Time with Jesus builds your faith; which leads to boldness that produces spiritual results
- How can we spend time with Jesus use us for the sake of building his kingdom, not to build our little kingdom?

Don't let the conversation stop here. Keep talking it over online.
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