

October 23, 2016 Dave Irwin, Pastor of Ministry Series: "Origins: The Church God Desires" - Part 2 of 6 Message: "Audacious Prayers"

Text: Acts 4

A church that is functioning as God desires is a church that prays for gospel impact more than anything else.

The church was experiencing....

1. God's _____

2. _____ from established powers.

- 3. an explosion of people coming to _____
- 4. the powerful and tangible ______ of the Holy Spirit.
- 5. unparalleled ______.

Praying audacious prayers

1. Remember ______.

2. Remember God _____.

3. Ask for ______.

Father,

You are the maker of all things and You love us enough to sacrifice Jesus to redeem us. You have made us part of your family and given us the great purpose of taking the good news of Jesus to the rest of the world. Knowing that there will be forces working against us, we ask that you would empower us with boldness for this work regardless of the circumstances we encounter. May others see Your presence and power at work in our lives so they will know that the power of Jesus is real and they will place their faith in You, just as I have. Amen.

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- □ Join God's movement of the Church by placing my faith in Jesus for forgiveness and salvation.
- □ Memorize Acts 4:12-13
- Commit to pray with the rest of Stafford Crossing for boldness and gospel impact in my sphere of influence daily for the remainder of this series.

We exist to help turn unbelievers into believers and believers into fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.