

Personal Reflection Questions: Unstoppable Church is Faithful Acts 5:17-32

Understanding God's Authority

- 1. In what areas of my life am I finding it challenging to obey God rather than people?
- 2. When was the last time I faced opposition for my faith? How did I respond?
- 3. How do I discern when a directive from others conflicts with what God is asking of me?

Facing Opposition

- 4. What types of opposition do I currently face in living out my faith at school, work, or in my community?
- 5. How do my fears of what others might think influence my obedience to God?
- 6. In what ways have I chosen to act based on my feelings rather than on God's truth?

Walking in Faithful Obedience

- 7. What step of faith is God asking me to take that I've been hesitant to follow through on?
- 8. How can I better prepare myself to stand firm when opposition comes?
- 9. How am I currently spending time with God to better know His will for my life?

Being Part of the Unstoppable Church

- 10. What is something specific I can do this week to share Jesus with someone in my life?
- 11. In what ways have I seen the Holy Spirit empower me to be obedient despite opposition?

Application for Different Life Stages

- 13. (For students) What difficult choice at school might God be asking you to make that sets you apart?
- 14. (For working adults) How might God be challenging you to maintain integrity in your workplace?
- 15. (For parents) How are you modeling faithful obedience to your children when facing opposition?

Personal Growth

- 16. Like the apostles who were unphased by human threats, what area of fear do I need to surrender to God?
- 17. How has my understanding of obedience to God grown or changed through this message?
- 18. What daily practice can I establish to "get into God's Word" so "the Word gets into me"?

Take time to pray through these questions, asking God to reveal areas where He's calling you to greater obedience and courage in the face of opposition.



Small Group Discussion Guide: Unstoppable Church is Faithful

Opening Discussion

- 1. What stood out to you most from Pastor Phil's sermon on being faithful to God in the face of opposition?
- 2. In Acts 5, the apostles boldly declared, "We must obey God rather than people." Share a time when you had to make this choice. What happened?

Understanding the Text

- 3. Read Acts 5:17-32 together. What emotions and motivations drove the religious leaders' actions? How do you see similar attitudes today?
- 4. Why do you think the angel specifically instructed the apostles to return to the temple and continue teaching after their miraculous release?
- 5. How does the apostles' response to the Sanhedrin demonstrate both courage and wisdom? What can we learn from their approach?

Group Application

- 6. Pastor Phil said, "We each have the same Holy Spirit inside of us that empowered the apostles." How have you experienced the Holy Spirit's empowerment when facing opposition?
- 7. How do you distinguish between acting on feelings versus acting on truth in difficult situations?
- 8. Like the apostles who took a stand despite consequences, what areas might God be calling you to be more bold about in your community?
- 9. How can we as a small group help each other stand firm when facing pressure to compromise our faith?

Taking Action

- 10. What is one specific step of faithful obedience that God is calling you to take this week? How can this group support you?
- 11. Pastor Phil emphasized "getting into God's Word daily so the Word gets into you." What practical commitments can we make as a group to prioritize Scripture in our lives?

Closing Prayer

Take time to pray for one another, specifically for:

- Courage to obey God despite opposition
- Discernment to recognize when culture conflicts with Scripture
- Opportunities to share Jesus with others this week
- · The Holy Spirit's empowerment for a step of faith