



# THE Unstoppable church

## **Personal Reflection Questions: Unstoppable Church is Spreading Acts 5:1-16**

### **Heart Examination**

1. In what areas of my life might I be like Ananias and Sapphira, caring more about my image than the condition of my heart before God?
2. What "stupid decisions" am I currently making or considering that I need to surrender to God today?
3. Is there anything I'm holding back from God—resources, time, talents—while presenting myself as fully committed?

### **Overcoming Fear**

1. What fears are currently preventing me from fully participating in what God is doing through His church?
2. How might my fear of what others think be limiting how God's power works through me?
3. In what specific situation do I need to let hope in God's power outweigh my fear of people's opinions?

### **Spreading God's Power**

1. Pastor Phil said, "God's unstoppable power can still move through you." Where do I need to be more available for God to work through me?
2. Who in my life needs to experience God's healing power, and what "crazy" step of faith might I take to help them connect with Jesus?
3. When was the last time I was in such awe of God's power that I took bold action, like those who laid the sick in the streets hoping for Peter's shadow?

### **Grace for Past Mistakes**

1. What past failures or "stupid decisions" am I still carrying shame for, that I need to accept God's grace and forgiveness over?
2. How has God already used my weaknesses or mistakes to display His power in my life?
3. In what ways can I let my testimony of God's grace through my failures become part of how "the fire spreads"?

### **Application**

1. What is one specific way I can share my faith this week that might feel uncomfortable but displays hope in God's power?
2. If I truly believed God's power is unstoppable, what would I do differently in my daily life?
3. Who is one person I can invite to church or share my testimony with, even if it feels risky?

### **Prayer Focus**

Take time to pray about one area where you need to trust God's unstoppable power more fully, asking Him to work through you despite any fear or past failures.



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## Small Group Discussion Guide: Unstoppable Church is Spreading

### Opening Discussion

1. Share a time when you've seen God's power overcome someone's mistake or "stupid decision" to still accomplish His purpose.

### Heart Issues vs. Image (15 minutes)

1. Read Acts 5:1-11 together. Why do you think Ananias and Sapphira chose to lie about their giving?
2. Pastor Phil mentioned that "this is about your heart and not the image of yourself that you try to portray to others." In what areas do you struggle most with prioritizing image over heart?

### Fear vs. Hope (15 minutes)

1. Acts 5:13-14 shows an interesting tension: "No one else dared to join them, but the people spoke well of them" yet "believers were added to the Lord in increasing numbers." What might explain this paradox?
2. Share about a time when hope in God's power helped you overcome fear of what others might think.
3. How can our group create an environment where people feel safe to admit their fears while being encouraged toward hope?

### Spreading God's Unstoppable Power (15 minutes)

1. Acts 5:15-16 shows people taking extraordinary measures (laying sick in streets hoping for Peter's shadow). What "extraordinary measures" might God be calling our group to take to reach others?
2. Pastor Phil said, "God's unstoppable power can still move through you." What keeps us from fully believing this statement?

### Personal Application (10-15 minutes)

1. What is one area of your life where you need to let hope in God's power overcome fear of what others might think?
2. Is there a past failure or mistake you're still carrying shame over that you need to release to God's grace?
3. Who is one person in your life that needs to experience God's power, and what step can you take this week to help them?

### Prayer Time

Take time to pray for one another, specifically focusing on:

- Specific fears that need to be overcome by hope in God
- People in your lives who need to experience God's power
- Boldness to be part of how God is spreading His church

### Challenge

Encourage your people to consider what it would look like to join our church in Life on Mission this Easter by hosting an egg hunt in their own yard for their friends and neighbors. We are ready and waiting to help resource anyone who wants to be a part of this.