

Acts 5:1-5 ESV

- (1) But a man named Ananias, with his wife Sapphira, sold a piece of property,
(2) and **with his wife's knowledge he kept back for himself** some of the proceeds and brought only a part of it and laid it at the apostles' feet.
(3) But Peter said, "Ananias, why has **Satan** filled your heart **to lie to the Holy Spirit** and to keep back for yourself part of the proceeds of the land?
(4) While it remained unsold, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, **was it not at your disposal?** Why is it that you have contrived this deed in your heart? **You have not lied to man but to God.**"
(5) When Ananias heard these words, **he fell down and breathed his last.** And great fear came upon all who heard of it.

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- (6) **The young men rose and wrapped him up and carried him out and buried him.**
(7) After an interval of about **three hours** his wife came in, not knowing what had happened.
(8) And Peter said to her, "**Tell me whether you sold the land for so much.**" And she said, "Yes, for so much."
(9) But Peter said to her, "How is it that you have agreed together **to test the Spirit of the Lord?** Behold, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out."
(10) **Immediately she fell down at his feet and breathed her last.** When the young men came in they found her dead, and they carried her out and buried her beside her husband.

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- (11) And **great fear** came upon the whole **church** and upon all who heard of these things.

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- (12) Now many **signs and wonders** were regularly done among the people **by the hands of the apostles.** And they were all together in **Solomon's Portico.**
(13) **None of the rest dared join them,** but the people held them in high esteem.
(14) And **more than ever believers were added to the Lord,** multitudes of both men and women,
(15) so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least **his shadow might fall on some of them.**
(16) The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and **they were all healed.**

Acts 19:11-12 ESV

- (11) And **God was doing extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul,**
(12) so that even **handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were carried away to the sick, and their diseases left them** and the evil spirits came out of them.

1 Corinthians 2:1-5 ESV

- (1) And I, when I came to you, brothers, did not come proclaiming to you the testimony of God with lofty speech or wisdom.
- (2) For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and him crucified.
- (3) And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling,
- (4) and my speech and my message **were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,**
- (5) **so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.**

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- (17) But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, **the party of the Sadducees**), and filled with jealousy
- (18) they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison.
- (19) But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said,
- (20) **“Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life.”**

1 John 1:1-3 ESV

- (1) That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning **the word of life—**
- (2) **the life was made manifest**, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the **eternal life, which was with the Father** and was made manifest to us—
- (3) that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and **with His Son Jesus Christ.**

John 17:3 ESV

- (3) And this is eternal life, **that they know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.**

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- (21) And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach. Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council, all the senate of the people of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought.
- (22) But when the officers came, **they did not find them in the prison**, so they returned and reported,
- (23) **“We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside.”**
- (24) Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to.
- (25) And someone came and told them, **“Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people.”**
- (26) Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, **but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people.**

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(27) And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them,

(28) saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and **you intend to bring this man's blood upon us.**"

(29) But Peter and the apostles answered, "**We must obey God rather than men.**"

John 18:15-18 ESV

(15) Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple. Since that disciple was known to the high priest, he entered with Jesus into the courtyard of the high priest,

(16) but Peter stood outside at the door. So the other disciple, who was known to the high priest, went out and **spoke to the servant girl who kept watch at the door, and brought Peter in.**

(17) The servant girl at the door said to Peter, "**You also are not one of this man's disciples, are you?**" He said, "**I am not.**"

(18) Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves. Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

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(29) But Peter and the apostles answered, "**We must obey God rather than men.**"

Romans 13:1-2 ESV

(1) **Let every person be subject to the governing authorities.** For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God.

(2) **Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed,** and those who resist will incur judgment.

Acts 5:30-32 ESV

(30) **The God of our fathers raised Jesus,** whom you killed by hanging Him on a tree.

(31) God exalted Him at His right hand as Leader and Savior, **to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.**

(32) And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey Him."

Acts 5:33-34 ESV

(33) When they heard this, they were **enraged** and wanted to kill them.

(34) But a **Pharisee in the council named Gamaliel,** a teacher of the law held in honor by all the people, stood up and gave orders to put the men outside for a little while.

Acts 22:3 ESV

(3) "I am a Jew, born in Tarsus in Cilicia, but brought up in this city, educated at the feet of **Gamaliel** according to the strict manner of the law of our fathers, being zealous for God as all of you are this day.

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- (35) And he said to them, “Men of Israel, take care what you are about to do with these men.
(36) For before these days Theudas rose up, **claiming to be somebody**, and a number of men, about four hundred, joined him. He was killed, and **all who followed him were dispersed and came to nothing**.
(37) After him Judas the Galilean rose up in the days of the census and drew away some of the people after him. He too perished, and **all who followed him were scattered**.
(38) So in the present case I tell you, keep away from these men and let them alone, **for if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail;**
(39) **but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!**” So they took his advice,

Matthew 16:15-18 ESV

- (15) He said to them, “But who do you say that I Am?”
(16) Simon Peter replied, “**You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.**”
(17) And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.
(18) And I tell you, you are Peter, and **on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.**

Acts 5:40-42 ESV

- (40) and when they had called in the apostles, they beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go.
(41) Then they left the presence of the council, **rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name.**
(42) And every day, in the temple and from house to house, **they did not cease teaching and preaching that the Christ is Jesus.**

Philippians 1:29 ESV

- (29) **For it has been granted to you** that for the sake of Christ you should **not only believe in Him but also suffer for His sake,**

Romans 5:3-5 ESV

- (3) Not only that, **but we rejoice in our sufferings**, knowing that suffering produces endurance,
(4) and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, (5) and **hope does not put us to shame**, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

Matthew 5:10-12 ESV

- (10) “Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. (11) “Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. (12) **Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven**, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.