

LIVING THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH
When You Find Yourself On The Witness Stand
Acts 5
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And they were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
Acts 2:42 NAS

This is what an Acts 2 church does.

YOU ARE A WITNESS

Whether you like it or not you are a witness.
You are responsible for whatever you have seen.

If any of the people are called to testify about something they have witnessed, but they refuse to testify, they will be held responsible and be subject to punishment Leviticus 5:1 NLT

Look at the way a witness works for God.

He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe. John 1:7 NIV

When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness of Me. John 15:26 NAS

You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses... Acts 1:8 NAS

THE TRUTH IS IMPORTANT

And the congregation of those who believed were of one heart and soul; and not one of them claimed that anything belonging to him was his own, but all things were common property to them.
Acts 4:32 NAS

When Peter confronted Ananias about this he asked him “Why have you lied to God?”

Remember people are watching you and thinking about becoming a Christian or not.

YOUR WITNESS AFFECTS PEOPLE AROUND YOU

As a result, people brought the sick into the streets and laid them on beds and mats so that at least Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he passed by. Acts 5:15 NIV

Sometimes people will have a negative reaction to you.

Then the high priest and all his associates, who were members of the party of the Sadducees, were filled with jealousy. Acts 5:17 NIV

And we are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey Him. Acts 5:32 NAS

You search the Scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is these that bear witness of Me. John 5:39 NAS

GIVE THE MESSAGE OF LIFE

When the angel freed the apostles from jail he told them this:

Go, stand in the temple courts," he said, "and tell the people the full message of this new Life.
Acts 5:20 NIV

For you will be a witness for Him to all men of what you have seen and heard.
Acts 22:15 NAS

**Tell them about Jesus and then
Tell them what Jesus has done for you.**