## 3/22/2020 | Lent 2020 -

# "A Boldness to Witness"

Last few years at ERC:

- Walk in step with the Holy Spirit
- Read it, Write it, Pray it, Share it
- Priesthood of all Believers You are a priest

"Every Christian a priest, every family a church" ~Pastor Harold in 1971

"...enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness..." ~Acts 4:29

"By what power or what name did you do this?" ~Acts 4:7

**Boldness:** doing the right thing & saying the right thing no matter the circumstances

#### Scripture: Acts 4:23-31

**<u>Prayer</u>** - speaking and listening to God

• In this passage 5 verses are prayers of praise while 2 are requests!

### 1 - We believe "Boldness to Witness" because God is sovereign

God is the creator of all things - God is ruler over all ~Acts 4:24, 27-28

"Lord, we know you are able. Please heal. Please come through. But if it shouldn't be your will, your sovereign will at the end of the day, then I trust you, and I love you anyway. We praise you Lord and pray in Jesus name, Amen." ~Nabeel Qureshi Story of friend who is a nurse - home visit

What is the sovereign God doing right now in the midst of our circumstances?

"Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast"  $\sim\!Psalm$  119:90

#### 2 - "A Boldness to Witness" because God is faithful

Reread Acts 4:29-30

The faithfulness of God witnessed and experienced by the disciples Looking back, how has God been faithful in your life?

Why "Boldness to Witness"? Because God is faithful ...

Emily at Kids Klub "A Boldness to Witness"

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you" ~ Deuteronomy 31:6

		ERC Daily Scripture Reading Plan	*Optional Old Testament Reading Plan
SUNDAY	3/22/2020	Gal. 2	Joshua 9-10
MONDAY	3/23/2020	Gal. 3	Joshua 11-13
TUESDAY	3/24/2020	Gal. 4	Joshua 14-15
WEDNESDAY	3/25/2020	Gal. 5	Joshua 16-18
THURSDAY	3/26/2020	Gal. 6	Joshua 19-20
FRIDAY	3/27/2020	1 Cor. 1	Joshua 21-22
SATURDAY	3/28/2020	1 Cor. 2	Joshua 23-24

