

**Be Bold**  
**Full Send Message Series Week 4**  
**Acts 4:1-31**  
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**How do we grow in boldness for Jesus?**

**1. By being filled with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 4:8)**

“Luke is saying that the indwelling Spirit freshly empowered Peter, which enabled him to preach boldly. This is a wonderful reality for believers. God is with us forever. And God will often supernaturally fill us with his Spirit to enable us to do his will.”

Tony Merida, *Christ-Centered Exposition: Exalting Jesus in Acts*,  
B&H Publishing Group, Nashville, TN, 2017, p. 59.

**2. By being convinced salvation is in Christ alone.**  
(Acts 4:12)

“The pathway to salvation is narrow. We cannot create our own pathways to God based on our own efforts or ideas. God has provided a glorious way for sin to be atoned for and righteousness to be found in Jesus Christ...Scripture reveals plainly that ‘there is one God and one mediator between God and humanity, the man Christ Jesus’ (1 Tim 2:5). There is one door to God (John 10:9), yet he welcomes anyone in the world who would believe on him (John 3:16; Rom 10:13).”

Tony Merida, *Christ-Centered Exposition: Exalting Jesus in Acts*,  
B&H Publishing Group, Nashville, TN, 2017, p. 61.

3. By being committed to doing what's right in God's eyes.  
(Acts 4:19)

4. By being convinced of the death and resurrection of Jesus. (Acts 4:20)

5. By understanding that God is sovereign and powerful.  
(Acts 4:24)

6. By praying for boldness. (Acts 20:29)

“In their mission, then, the church prayed for boldness and perseverance rather than comfort. They knew Jesus was worth more than their lives.”

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B&H Publishing Group, Nashville, TN, 2017, p. 65.