



SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

"An Unstoppable Mission"

Acts 5: 17-42

Record your insights & observations from this week's sermon.

SERMON NOTES

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1) Read *Acts 1:8*. What was the mission that Jesus gave His disciples? How does this verse speak to our commitment to world missions?
- 2) Read *Acts 5:17-18*. Why did the high priest and his associates throw the apostles in jail?
- 3) Read *Acts 5: 19-24*. What did the angel of the Lord do for the apostles? How do angels protect us today?
- 4) Read *Acts 5:25-32*. Peter told the Council, "We must obey God rather than man." What are areas in our world today where this verse plays out? What about for world missionaries?
- 5) Read *Acts 5:33-42*. What was Gamaliel's advice? How does verse 39 describe God's unstoppable mission for the church?
- 6) When God's people are persecuted, it makes the church stronger. How has persecution strengthened the church throughout history? How has it strengthened the church worldwide?

FOR YOUR FAMILY

- 1) Memorize *Acts 5:39* – *"But if it is from God, you will not be able to stop these men; you will only find yourselves fighting against God."*
- 2) Read *Acts 1:8; 5:17-42*. Discuss with your family how the mission of the church started in Jerusalem and began to spread throughout Judea. Talk to your family about how important it is to stand up for truth and how God's word trumps all other authorities.
- 3) Read *Acts 5:34-42*. Talk with your children about how Jesus has built His church on the apostles teaching (*Ephesians 2:19-21*) and that viruses and death will not keep the church down. Explain to them how the church will always be here until Jesus returns and why this is important with regards to world missions.