

Acts 5:17 – 6:7

What Would You Do if You
Were Ordered Not to Speak
the Truths of God's Word?

Review

Acts 4:7

The lame man was healed

Peter, John

In Jesus' name

Supernatural event

Council—how?

Review

Acts 4:7

What do you need to understand about Jesus?

He is God

He died for sinners

He loves you

Opportunity to testify

Review

Prayer of Peter & John's Companions

Speak Thy Word with confidence

His Word is Truth

He is the way, truth, and life Jn. 14:6

Narrow gate, way. Mt. 7:13, 14

Absolutes, not relative

Acts 5:17-26

Jealousy

High Priest, Sadducees

Apostles jailed

Angel released

Speak the whole message of this Life

Entered temple at day-break

Acts 5:17-26

Jealousy

Apostles gone

Captain of guard, chief priests perplexed

What would happen?

Captain/temple officers brought
apostles back to Council

Without violence—feared people

Acts 5:27-32

Accusation

Chief priest

Filled Jerusalem with your teaching

They intended to bring Jesus' blood
on them

Accurate?

Acts 5:27-32

Mt. 27:15-26

Chief priests, elders

Persuaded people to ask Pilate to put
Jesus to death

All agreed His blood was on them &
their children

Acts 5:27-32

Acts 2:22-23, 37-39

You men nailed Jesus to the cross

Pierced to the heart

3,000

Repented, baptized, sins forgiven

Acts 5:27-32

Acts 4:17-20

Apostles could not stop speaking
what they had seen/heard

Indwelt by Holy Spirit

Jesus' witnesses

Witness pierced hearts

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Acts 5:29

Peter, John must obey God vs men

Acts 5:33-39

Jewish Leaders' Response

Cut to the quick

= Sawn through mentally

= Rent with vexation

Intended to slay them

Acts 5:33-39

Jewish People's Response

Cf. Acts 2:37

Pierced to the heart

= Pierce thoroughly

= (Fig.) Agitate violently

= (Met.) Pain the mind sharply

Especially of the emotion of sorrow

Acts 5:33-39

Jewish People's Response

Cf. Heb. 4:12-13

Word of God

Living and active...

Acts 5:33-39

Why didn't Jewish Leaders Believe?

Lk. 10:16

Rejected the witness because they
rejected Jesus

Jn. 10:22-28

They weren't Jesus' sheep, didn't hear
His voice, refused to follow Him

Acts 5:33-39

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Jn. 6:37,44

All that the Father draws to Jesus will
come to Him

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2 Cor. 2:14-17

People are either being saved or are perishing

Acts 5:33-39

One of Council—good suggestion

Pharisee named Gamaliel

Respected by all the people

Cautioned Council's plan to kill
apostles

Acts 5:33-39

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From God—cannot overthrow

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Acts 5:40-42

Council's response to Gamaliel

Took his advice

Flogged apostles

Restated—do not speak in Jesus' name

Acts 5:40-42

Apostles' response to trial, flogging

Released

Rejoiced

Suffered shame for His name

Kept teaching Jesus as Christ

In temple and in houses

Acts 5: Theme

Ananias and Sapphira died

Apostles jailed, flogged, released, kept
on preaching Jesus

Acts 6:1-7

Disciples increasing

Lord adding to their number

Apostles witnessing in Jesus' name

Complaint

Hellenistic widows overlooked

When food was distributed

Acts 6:1-7

Complaint

Cf. Acts 2:9-11

Hellenistic—not native Hebrews

Widows

Deut. 26:12-13; Ps. 146:9; Isa. 1:16-17

God-instructions—care for orphans, widows

Care/justice for provision, protection

Lord protects them

Acts 6:1-7

Widows

1 Tim. 5:14-16; Jms 1:27

Paul and James wrote how believers are
to take care of widows

Acts 6:1-7

Widows

Problem solved

Acts 1-5

Apostles not to neglect their ministry of the word (preaching)

Other men selected to oversee this service

Acts 6:1-7

Widows

Problem solved

Seven men

Good reputation

Full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom

Put in charge of this task

Acts 6:1-7

Widows

Problem solved

Selected from the disciples

Brought to the apostles

Prayed

Laid hands on them

Acts 6:1-7

Laying on of hands

Num. 27:15-23

God told Moses to lay his hand on Joshua to commission him as the leader of Israel

Acts 6:1-7

Laying on of hands

1 Tim. 5:17-22

Do not lay hands on someone too hastily

Especially elders/church leaders

Acts 6:1-7

Laying on of hands

Application for today, our church
leaders?

Acts 6:7

Comparison with Acts 1-6

God's Word kept on spreading

Because...

Apostles didn't neglect their ministry

Number disciples increased in Jerusalem

[Acts 1:8]

Acts 6:7

Comparison with Acts 1-6

Even priests...

Becoming obedient to the faith

Saved