



Sovereign Lord | Acts 4:1-31



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Can you look back and remember the last time you took heat for believing in Jesus and professing Jesus to someone else?

Read Acts 4:1-4.

Who are the two groups of people Luke is comparing?

What is the difference between these groups?

Read John 10:18-26.

What did Jesus predict would happen and why?

Why is teaching with authority (saying you know the truth) a reason for persecution?

How can proclaiming the resurrection cause persecution?

Why would you be persecuted for saying that Jesus is the exclusive way to heaven?

What was the church's response to persecution in Acts 4:23-26 and Psalms 2?

How did God respond to their prayer for boldness? (Acts 4:31) What part of this response should we expect?

Application:

How do we learn about and love the sovereignty of God?

Persecution can bring on a victim mentality and conspiracy theories. How do we reject these?

What should one of our prayer requests be when facing persecution?

Prayer

Lord, help us to be bold when facing persecution for the sake of the gospel.

May we rejoice when we are counted worthy to suffer for Your name.