## Small Group Discussion Guide

"BOLD (pt. 2)" - 11.15.15

Scripture: Acts 4:1-22

**Bottom Line:** A BOLD FAITH speaks GOOD NEWS!

## INTRODUCTION/BREAKING THE ICE:

Here are some fun ways to "break the Ice" with your small group. Who has made the longest journey? Who has the most unusual hobby? If you HAD to give up one of your senses (hearing, seeing, feeling, smelling, tasting) which would it be and why?

## Read Acts 4:1-22

This week's text reveals how many people noticed the boldness of Peter and John by the manner in which they spoke. Take some time this week to discuss how your small group can live out a BOLD FAITH by following their example.

- 1) Pastor Adam shared several ways on how we can speak with a BOLD FAITH. Take time to discuss these with your group. What do they mean? How did Peter and John live these out? How can you live these out?
- a) Bold faith that speaks good news is CHRIST CENTERED and HOPE FILLED.
- b) Bold faith that speaks good news INVITES TRUST IN JESUS and is NOT ALWAYS POPULAR (Would someone want to follow Jesus more from hearing from me?).
- c) Bold faith that speaks good news is RESPECTFUL and SPIRIT FILLED (Is this from God / does it line up with Scripture?).
- d) Bold faith that speaks good news is ACCOUNTABLE TO GOD (Am I saying this because I fear man or God?)
- e) Bold faith that speaks good news is COMPELLED TO SHARE (You will tell others about what excites you...restaurant, movie, new vehicle, etc.)
- 2) Evaluate yourself in light of today's scripture. Would someone want to follow Jesus more after hearing from you? Would they want to follow Jesus more after witnessing your life? Why or why not? What can you change?
- 3) Do you speak in a way that shows you've been with Jesus? How would one go about becoming this type of person? (spend time with Jesus)

## LIVING OUT THE GOSPEL IN MY EVERYDAY LIFE

1) What are some practical ways you can live out a BOLD FAITH? Discuss with your small group how you can live these out on a daily basis!

Answer: a) Stop speaking: there are times when the best thing you can do is not speak (gossip, criticism, cussing, vulgar jokes, etc.). b) Start speaking: quit wimping out and start sharing your story (great time is thanksgiving with family). c) Work: Do your job so well that you gain a platform to be heard. d) Social media: Would people want to follow Jesus after reading your posts?