

Pastor's Bible Study  
Acts Chapter 5

Chapter 5—Ordering of a death

- What is the story's purpose?
  - It feels out of place in this book. But there is obviously a reason that God put it here.
  
- "To lie."
  - Frequency??
  - What do we hear when in this verse and what does it mean to us? How does it apply?
  
- Did they test the Holy Spirit?
  - Do we?
  - How?

How do you handle the aggressiveness of this passage in light of the gospel's larger message of hope, acceptance and forgiveness?

- What is the role of fear in this passage?
  
- In the church?
  
- In your life?

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The Apostles Heal Many

- Verse 13— Explain this posture or choice.
  
- Peter's Shadow. . .
  - Has this happened before? Why or why not.

Perhaps this is an extension of Jesus' words that they will do much greater things after he is gone.

- Do you believe that there was an element of pride or arrogance at work in this section?
  - How do you support this belief?

17-42— The extended first prison narrative

- Consider how much boldness it took to walk out of jail immediately and then begin to preach.
  - Would we be the bold ourselves?
  
  - I wonder how dynamic their first message was.

Verse 28- They won't say Jesus' name

Notice how the narrative from Peter's perspective continues to grow and become more dynamic.

41- What does "worthy to suffer" mean? To them? To you?