

Acts 4:5-13  
"Boldness of Peter & John"



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## 1. Introduction

- a. Peter & John arrested by temple guards
  - their offense? preaching in the name of Jesus of Christ
- b. Peter & John former uneducated fishermen
- c. Result of preaching? 5000 saved
- d. John 18:4-6, Who were guards looking for? Jesus of Nazareth
  - Jesus answers, "I AM He."
  - they fell to the ground
  - this is the power of His word
- e. Jn 18:15-16
  - John & Peter go into High Priest's residence
  - Acts 4:5-7 Peter & John brought into same location

## 2. Peter & John Preaching Boldly

- a. They heal a lame man (Acts 3:2)
    - Acts 3:5-7 In the name of Jesus
  - b. By what power or name? Acts 4:7
  - c. By the name of Jesus of Nazareth (vs 8-10)
- ## 3. Source of Their Boldness (vs 10-12)
- a. Jesus Christ of Nazareth
    - Jewish rulers crucified
    - but God raised from the dead
    - no salvation in any other name

- 3.b. Jewish rulers saw their boldness (vs 13)
    - Peter & John uneducated & untrained
    - But they understood that Peter & John had been with Jesus
  - c. They also saw healed man standing with Peter & John (vs 14)
  - d. Peter was filled with Holy Spirit when he spoke to Jewish leaders (Acts ~~4~~ 4:8)
4. Course of Boldness (vs 18-22)
    - a. Jewish leaders threatened Peter & John to not speak or teach in the name of Jesus
      - it was a "SHUT UP" moment
    - b. But Peter & John
      - listen to you more than God?
      - we must speak of the things which we have seen & heard
      - eyewitnesses
5. Force of Boldness (vs 23-31)
    - a. Peter & John return to the local church
      - they told church members all that happened
    - b. They all prayed together to God
      - prayed about Herod, Pontius Pilate, Gentiles, & nation of Israel gathered together against Jesus (vs 27)
      - But they only did what God had in His plan (vs 28)
        - \* God's purpose
        - \* God's hand of doing
      - they all prayed for boldness to speak God's Word (vs 29)
    - c. God's answer? (vs 31)
      - all filled with Holy Spirit
      - all spoke God's Word boldly