



Disciple Groups

Disciple groups gather together throughout the week to meet new people, discuss the weekly sermon, read God's Word and pray for one another.

Guidelines for Sharing

- We will not talk over one another
- We will not engage in conversations in the group that exclude others
- We will not attempt to fix each other (only God can do that)
- We will respectfully allow time for others to share

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- This group is a safe place where we share and learn from others
- It is a place of grace, mercy and understanding
- Everything that is shared in the group stays in the group unless a member of the group has threatened to hurt themselves or others
- Everyone is free to share thoughts or feelings



TESTIMONY

**Peter and John:
What We Have Seen and Heard**

Acts 4 (ESV)

13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus. 14 But seeing the man who was healed standing beside them, they had nothing to say in opposition. 15 But when they had commanded them to leave the council, they conferred with one another, 16 saying, "What shall we do with these men?"

Acts 4 (ESV)

For that a notable sign has been performed through them is evident to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. 17 But in order that it may spread no further among the people, let us warn them to speak no more to anyone in this name.” 18 So they called them and charged them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus.

Acts 4 (ESV)

19 But Peter and John answered them, “Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge, 20 for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard.” 21 And when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, because of the people, for all were praising God for what had happened. 22 For the man on whom this sign of healing was performed was more than forty years old.

Acts 4 (ESV)

23 When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. 24 And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, “Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, 25 who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the Holy Spirit, ““Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain?”

Acts 4 (ESV)

26 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers were gathered together, against the Lord and against his Anointed'—27 for truly in this city there were gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, 28 to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place.

Acts 4 (ESV)

29 And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, 30 while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus.” 31 And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

MOTIVATION



Motivation

- Self-interests
 - Others' expectations
 - Go along to get along
 - "Merry-Go-Round of Normalcy"
 - Fear
- Jesus
 - Only way
 - Faith
 - Courage
 - Fearless

MIRACLES

THE POWER OF FAITH



Miracles

- Faith
- Testimony
 - Proclaim Jesus
 - What you've seen & heard
- Must act
- Pray/Guess/Go
- Glorify God
- Use God's gifts
- Willing to pay the price
- Predestined – God is in control



Everything that
matters requires
boldness.

Boldness

- Holy Spirit
- Proclaim Gospel
 - All sinners
 - Cannot earn salvation
 - Jesus is our Savior (Cornerstone)
- Repent & be baptized
- Life changing
- Peter & John

The Point

As we proclaim the Gospel boldly, God stretches out His hand to heal and signs and wonders are performed.

Questions

- Where in your life have you been called to act by faith and didn't?
- Where in your life did you act by faith?
- Why is it important to share what you have seen and heard more than what you believe?
- Why is boldness important?
- What is God calling you to do?



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