

Devotion Info
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DAY 1 Read Acts 5:12-16, Psalm 133:1

[12] The apostles were performing many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers were meeting regularly at the Temple in the area known as Solomon's Colonnade. [13] But no one else dared to join them, even though all the people had high regard for them. [14] Yet more and more people believed and were brought to the Lord—crowds of both men and women. [15] As a result of the apostles' work, sick people were brought out into the streets on beds and mats so that Peter's shadow might fall across some of them as he went by. [16] Crowds came from the villages around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those possessed by evil spirits, and they were all healed.
Acts 5:12-16 NLT

[1] How wonderful and pleasant it is when brothers live together in harmony!
Psalms 133:1 NLT

- Why do you think unity and public witness were so important in the early church?
- How do unity and integrity affect a church's influence today?

Application: What's one area this week where you can choose to obey God no matter the cost?

DAY 2 Read Acts 5:17-20, Revelation 3:8

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Acts 5:17-20 NLT

[8] "I know all the things you do, and I have opened a door for you that no one can close. You have little strength, yet you obeyed my word and did not deny me.
Revelation 3:8 NLT

- Why do you think God sent them right back to preaching?
- Can you think of a time when God made a way when there seemed to be no way?

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- How should we respond when we face resistance for doing what's right?

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DAY 4 Read Acts 5:27-33, Galatians 1:10

[27] Then they brought the apostles before the high council, where the high priest confronted them. [28] "We gave you strict orders never again to teach in this man's name!" he said. "Instead, you have filled all Jerusalem with your teaching about him, and you want to make us responsible for his death!" [29] But Peter and the apostles replied, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. [30] The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead after you killed him by hanging him on a cross. [31] Then God put him in the place of honor at his right hand as Prince and Savior. He did this so the people of Israel would repent of their sins and be forgiven. [32] We are witnesses of these things and so is the Holy Spirit, who is given by God to those who obey him." [33] When they heard this, the high council was furious and decided to kill them.
Acts 5:1-11 NLT

[10] Obviously, I'm not trying to win the approval of people, but of God. If pleasing people were my goal, I would not be Christ's servant.
Galatians 1:10 NLT

- Where in your life is it hard to obey God due to outside pressure?
- Why is obedience so central to the Christian life?

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DAY 5 Read Acts 5:34-41, Matthew 16:18

[34] But one member, a Pharisee named Gamaliel, who was an expert in religious law and respected by all the people, stood up and ordered that the men be sent outside the council chamber for a while. [35] Then he said to his colleagues, "Men of Israel, take care what you are planning to do to these men! [36] Some time ago there was that fellow Theudas, who pretended to be someone great. About 400 others joined him, but he was killed, and all his followers went their various ways. The whole movement came to nothing. [37] After him, at the time of the census, there was Judas of Galilee. He got people to follow him, but he was killed, too, and all his followers were scattered.

[38] "So my advice is, leave these men alone. Let them go. If they are planning and doing these things merely on their own, it will soon be overthrown. [39] But if it is from God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You may even find yourselves fighting against God!"

[40] The others accepted his advice. They called in the apostles and had them flogged. Then they ordered them never again to speak in the name of Jesus, and they let them go.

[41] The apostles left the high council rejoicing that God had counted them worthy to suffer disgrace for the name of Jesus.

Acts 5:34-41 NLT

[18] Now I say to you that you are Peter (which means 'rock'), and upon this rock I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it.

Matthew 16:18 NLT

- Why do you think the apostles rejoiced after being beaten?

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