



Leaders

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Go around and let everyone answer...
Share a time when witnessed something really courageous.

DIG

What makes an act truly courageous?

How does an act of courage impact those who witness it?

Read Acts 4.7-13

In this passage, Peter and John are made to answer to the religious leaders in Jerusalem by what power they healed a lame man. Peter boldly responds by telling them it was through Jesus, the one they had crucified, that they performed miracles.

What do you think the religious leaders were afraid of?

How was Peter displaying boldness through his response to their question?

How does the way the world defines courage differ from God's definition?

In Verse 12, Peter says that, "Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved."

How is this statement actually a challenge to be courageous?

In what way do you think God's people need to be especially courageous today?

APPLY

How are you currently being challenged to be bold and courageous in your faith?

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Sermon Series

This discussion guide is based on the current sermon series entitled "The Kingdom Unleashed: Themes in the Book of Acts." The series is designed to motivate people to embrace the Kingdom of God in their lives, making disciples of others.

Big Idea

In Jesus, we have the right to feel boldness and to act courageously. Not, of course, because of our own talents, but rather because of who we are in Christ. We have the blood of Jesus, so we are priceless. We have the Holy Spirit, so we are constantly going to have opportunities. And we have a destiny in the new creation, so we never have to doubt where we are going.

Group Discussion Reminder

Our LIFE Groups are a great place to pour out the love we share into the lives of others. We can't keep this love and community to ourselves. Who do you know that might benefit from being part of your group? Share those names, pray for them, and ask God to give you the courage to talk to them about visiting your group.