

Book of Acts

Lesson 11

STUDENT OUTLINE

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1. Apostles arrested and freed - Acts 5:12-14
 - a. Pressure on the Church - Acts 5:17-18
 - b. Jealousy was at the centre of why they were so hostile towards the disciples.
 - c. The church of Jesus was becoming what the Temple could never be
 - d. There will always be pressure on the church
2. God is sovereign
 - a. He is the king and can decide if we are to stay and keep working or be taken home
 - b. Psalms 116:15 - Precious: costly, of high price.
3. They followed the leading of the Spirit - Acts 5:19-23
 - a. Peter and John did not have a goal of personal liberation, but the spreading of the gospel.
 - b. The church was passionate about evangelism
4. Obedience to God over man. Acts 5:27-38
 - a. Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach & Abednego
 - i. Did not eat the Kings' food – but sought for an adequate compromise – Daniel 1:8-20
 - ii. Bow down before the idol – refused to do it, without any extra fan-fare.
 - iii. Daniel continued to pray as he had always done.
 - b. Peter and John refused to obey the command to stop preaching and speaking in the Name of Jesus.
 - c. The Bible commands us to cooperate and obey governing authorities - 1 Peter 2:13-1
 - i. For the Lords sake
 - ii. It is the will of God to silence ignorant and foolish accusations
 - iii. Don't use your freedom as a cloak of maliciousness

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iv. Be careful where you draw this line

5. God's Favor can Come from unlikely sources
 - a. Acts 5:34-35

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