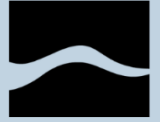


SERMON NOTES

FAITHFUL, FEARLESS, AND SPIRIT-FILLED

Acts 4:1-35



BIG IDEA: When the world opposes the truth, God calls his people to be faithful to Christ, fearless before men, and Spirit-filled in word and deed.

APPLICATION GUIDE

SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

DISCUSS

When have you had to stand for something you believed in, even though it was unpopular or costly? How did you feel in the moment?

What kinds of opposition did Peter and John face in Acts 4:1–22, and how did they remain faithful to Christ?

How does the church's prayer in vv. 23–28 reveal their confidence in God's sovereignty?

In vv. 29–31, what did the church ask God for, and what does that reveal about their priorities?

What stands out to you about the Spirit's work in vv. 31–37—in both bold witness and sacrificial love?

APPLY

Where do you feel pressure to stay silent about Jesus? How does Acts 4 encourage you to remain faithful in those moments?

How might remembering God's sovereignty change the way you pray in the face of fear or opposition?

What does Spirit-filled boldness look like in your daily life (e.g., at work, at school, in your neighborhood)?

How could you show Spirit-empowered love and generosity this week in a way that makes the gospel message credible to others?

COMMIT

Pray daily for boldness, asking the Spirit to give you one specific opportunity this week to speak about Christ. Share those opportunities with another believer for their encouragement and partnership in prayer.