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1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?

2. What does this story teach me about myself?

3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?

4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?

5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

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Unit 31 • Session 1

THE APOSTLES WERE ARRESTED

Acts 5

WHY DID JESUS BECOME HUMAN? JESUS BECAME HUMAN TO OBEY HIS FATHER'S PLAN AND RESCUE SINNERS.

The apostles were doing many signs and more and more people believed in the Lord. People carried those who were sick into the street. All of them were healed.

The high priest and other religious leaders arrested Jesus' apostles. But an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail and brought out the apostles. The angel told them, "Go and stand in the temple, and tell the people all about this life."

That next day, the high priest and other religious leaders ordered their servants to go to the jail. But when they went inside, the apostles weren't there. Then someone said, "The apostles are teaching in the temple!" So the religious leaders said, "Didn't we tell you to stop teaching about Jesus?"

Peter responded, "We must obey God rather than people. God raised Jesus to life after you killed Him on the cross.

The Jewish leaders wanted to kill Peter and the other apostles. But Gamaliel told them, "Men of Israel, you have to be careful. If their words are from God, you won't be able to stop them."

They beat them and told them to stop talking about Jesus. Then they let them go free. The apostles left, praising God for being counted worthy to suffer for the name of Jesus. The apostles continued to preach about Jesus.

Christ Connection: Jesus calls His followers to be faithful and tell others about Him, even in times of trouble. Just as Jesus experienced rejection and suffering, so will His followers. We can have joy in suffering, knowing God uses our suffering, like Christ's, for His glory.