Sermon Questions

November 1st, 2026 | Scripture: Acts 4:1-22 – Boldness Born of the Gospel

Pre-study: 3 things from the sermon. *Write down 3 ideas, illustrations, quotes, or points that made an impression in the sermon.*

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Core Questions

1. **Vs. 1-4:** What was at stake for Peter and John as they proclaimed the gospel before the religious authorities? What might be at stake for us when we share the gospel today?
2. **Vs. 8-12:** What truths about Jesus give Peter such boldness in proclaiming the gospel? How can these same truths give us confidence when sharing it today?
3. **Vs. 12 –** Peter proclaims that salvation is found in Jesus alone. Why is this claim so difficult for many people to accept today? How would you respond to a friend who believes there are many ways to God?
4. **Vs. 18-20 -** We naturally talk about the things we love. What do you find most amazing about the good news of Jesus? How can we grow in our love for the gospel so that we more naturally share it with others?

Inward Grace in Action

5. **Vs. 17-20 –** What fears or desires for approval sometimes keep us from speaking openly about our faith? What truths about Christ help us overcome those fears?

Outward Grace in Action

6. **Vs. 13 -** How does Peter's instruction in 1 Pt. 3:13-17 to share our hope with gentleness and respect help us understand what bold Christian witness should look like in our everyday lives?
7. **Vs. 20 –** Peter and John couldn't help speaking about what they had seen and heard. How have you seen the gospel change your own life, and how might you share that with others?

For Families: Ideas of how to keep the conversation going at home, in the car, or around the dinner table:

1. **A - Ask about the message:** Ask your children, "When was a time you saw or experienced something so amazing that you just had to tell someone about it?" Our passage shows us that the apostles had witnessed the risen Jesus and couldn't help sharing the good news with others!
2. **S – Share your thoughts:** Share how the resurrection of Jesus has changed your life or the lives of those you love. Ask your children how they have seen Jesus at work in their lives or the lives of others.
3. **K – Keep it going:** As a family, think of 1–3 people you know who don't know Jesus. Pray for them each night at dinner, asking God to give you opportunities to share the good news of Jesus with them. Then think of one way you might begin that conversation.

PRAYER GUIDE

DEEP ROOTS. WIDE REACH

Pray for our vision:

- For God to raise up future ministry leaders from our congregation.
- For God to make our congregation a blessing to the community around us.

MISSION PARTNER OF THE MONTH

Pray for The Wilsons – Campus Outreach @ NKU

Aaron and Meg serve with Campus Outreach at Northern Kentucky University and Thomas More University, evangelizing and discipling students and connecting them to local churches for lifelong growth in Christ.

- **Praise:** Praise God for the two students who have come to faith in Christ, the new student-led Bible study meeting weekly in a dorm, and Aaron's opportunities to share the gospel with students at NKU on Wednesdays.
- **Prayer:** Pray for more students to come to faith in Christ and for the growth of existing and new Bible studies among freshmen, three sororities, a fraternity, and the swim team.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY CHALLENGE

*During this sermon series, our challenge to you and your CG is to memorize **Acts 1:8**. This is the heart of the entire letter that will equip us to reach out to our community and world with God's love.*