



ACTS 5 • WEEK 2 • OCTOBER 14 2026

The Power of a Unified Church

Kingdom Women Participation Guide

Name _____ Date _____

Acts 5:12–16 • King James Version

12 And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.

13 And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people magnified them.

14 And believers were the more added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women.)

15 Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them.

16 There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.

Our shared focus

God works through His witnesses, and a community centered on Christ shares His truth and cares for people.

Bring your Bible and this guide. Read the passage, share your observations, and choose one response to practice this week.

Understand the passage

Word or phrase	Meaning
One accord	A shared purpose or united disposition
Durst	Dared
Magnified	Held in high regard
Vexed	Troubled or afflicted

Truths to carry with us

- God works through the apostles. Jesus remains the source of power; see Acts 3:12–16.
- Some hesitate to associate, while others believe and are added to the Lord. Respect and personal faith are different responses.
- Luke reports the people's hope about Peter's shadow and the healings. He does not prescribe a ritual involving shadows.
- God heals every person described as brought in this scene. We can pray boldly and care patiently without promising a recovery timetable.

Solomon's Porch



Illustrative reconstruction of a covered walkway in the temple area. Columns support a roof beside an open court. The gathering has a public presence (Acts 5:12).

Opening conversation

What helps a caring group become a place where people can be honest as well as encouraged?

Explore what the Bible says

Use the passage to support your answers. Questions 1–4 match the Teacher Guide.

1 Through whose hands do the signs occur, and where does the gathering meet?

2 How can verse 13 describe hesitation while verse 14 describes growth?

3 What does being added to the Lord tell us about growth?

4 What does Luke say about Peter's shadow, and what does he leave unexplained?

Connect the truth with our lives

Choose the question your group discusses. The others are available for personal reflection during the week.

5 How can a group protect unity while addressing a concern honestly?

6 A woman is carrying several care responsibilities. How could the group respond?

7 How can welcome help an admirer of the church move toward Christ?

Take one faithful next step

A situation to consider

A woman tells the group that a friend is ill. Someone proposes sharing the friend's name and private details in a public prayer post without asking her.

What would a response centered on Christ look like?

My care plan

Who could benefit from my support?

What action can I offer with the person's agreement?

When will I do it, and how will I follow up?

This week's challenge

With permission, help one person carry a specific burden. Share the task with another willing person and agree on a simple follow-up.

Prayer

Lord, center our relationships on Jesus. Give us honest words, patient hearts, and wisdom to share care. Help us welcome people with dignity and help them grow in faith. Amen.

Next movement **Acts 5:17–25 You Cannot Imprison God's Word**

Gospel reminder Jesus died for our sins and rose again. Salvation is God's gift through faith; our care grows from life in Christ (1 Corinthians 15:3–4; Ephesians 2:8–10).