

Coming Together

- What do you do to “recharge” your batteries?
- What is your typical response to criticism? Why do you think you respond this way?

Growing in Our Understanding

- Read Acts 4:1-7. Why did the religious officials approach Peter and John? What seems to be their biggest concern?
- What was the key point of the message that Peter shared with the religious leaders? (see Acts 4:11-12)
- How were Peter and John treated for being Jesus’ messengers? See Acts 4:13-21
- In Acts 4, what were the varied reactions to Peter’s invitation to receive Jesus?
- Circle, highlight, underline any important truths you discover in prayer summarized for us in Acts 4:23-31. What stood out to you?

Unwrapping God’s Principles

- Pastor Chico described the “to be filled with the Holy Spirit” to mean being under the control or power of the Holy Spirit. How does the Holy Spirit’s power show up in Peter’s life in Acts 4? How about your life today?
- How did the religious leaders characterize Peter and John in Acts 4:13? Was this description fair? What is the primary lesson here? How might God want you to apply the lesson here to your life today?
- What is “the principle of ultimate allegiance”? How do we see this principle challenged in Acts 4:16-20? Where do you see allegiance to Jesus most challenged in today’s world?

Deepening Our Hearts for God

Read 2 Corinthians 5:20-21. According to these verses, what has God done for us? What does He ask us to be on His behalf verse 20? How might this impact how we live in today’s world?

Looking Ahead

Read Acts 4:26-5:11. What do you find shocking in these verses? What do you think might have been God’s motivation for His actions here?

