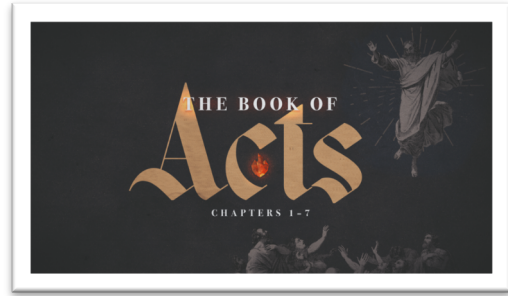


WE MUST OBEY GOD RATHER THAN MEN

ACTS 5:12-32 // PASTOR TODD DUGARD
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**When I obey God above all others...I will see his Spirit move (5:12-16)...I will face ongoing, even intense, opposition (5:17-18, 21b-26)...I will carry on the mission as a witness of Christ (5:19-21a)
...I will experience a holy boldness (5:27-32)**

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. As a young child, were you generally obedient? How did being obedient contribute to your development as an adult?
2. Do you believe that apostles' obedience to Christ and the growth of the church are related? Why might God base our development on obedience and not just signs and wonders?
3. People react to our faith in different ways. Do people who know what you believe esteem you? On the other hand, do you think you've ever been persecuted because of your faith? What happened to you?
4. Why might people exaggerate things to make points? How has exaggeration been misleading when it comes to identifying persecution in Canada?
5. In what way(s) do you personally contribute to the work of making disciples and planting churches? How do you feel about your other priorities taking a back seat to Christ's mission?
6. After studying this passage and listening to this sermon, what is a bold step of obedience to God that you'd consider taking? How can other believers help you do that?