

1. Be bold enough to distribute God's offer of salvation. (1-13)

What's the difference between manufacturing, marketing, sales, and distribution? Which process is the best analogy for evangelism? What negative effects could you incur if you see yourself as anything other than a channel of distribution?

What was Peter like when he wasn't filled with the Holy Spirit?

What effect does the filling of the Spirit have on boldness?

Are you bold enough to speak the name of Jesus in your conversations or do you just talk about church, God, or good values?

What happens when you inject the name of Jesus in the conversation?

Does it disturb you that God has only given one way to be saved?

Before a person can receive Jesus as Savior they must reject substitute saviors. What substitute saviors do people have?

When was the last time you were brought to your knees with the fact that millions of people around us will spend eternity in hell because they are trusting the wrong savior? How does this thought affect your boldness to talk to them about Jesus?

How much education do you have? What is the biblical correlation between education and boldness?

2. Be bold enough to show the changes you've experienced. (14-16)

The change Jesus has brought in your life is the strongest argument for others believing in Jesus. The evidence of a changed life cannot be denied.

How is the gospel changing you?

Did the undeniable change God brought in someone else's life lead you to believe the gospel? Tell about it.

Is the lack of a changed life hindering your boldness in evangelism?

3. Be bold enough to speak what you've seen and heard. (17-22)

Has anyone recently charged you not to speak in the name of Jesus?

What had the disciples seen and heard?

The end game of boldness is praise! Boldness must exist where praise does not. When was the last time you erupted in praise in response to someone believing the gospel through your witness?

4. Be bold enough to ask for help. (23-31)

Boldness can only bear the weight of threats when it is bolstered in an uncommon community. Do you have the kind of friends that lift you up when you have been threatened by the world? Who are they? How do they encourage you? Are you someone that others come to for encouragement?

a. God is in control. (23-28)

- **I can trust the God of creation.**
- **I can trust the God of revelation.**
- **I can trust the God of history.**

How does filling your mind with thoughts of God's sovereignty embolden you? Can God's plan fail?

Can you remember a time when you felt like God was speaking through your mouth to distribute God's message? Describe how God used you.

b. God is on the job. (29-31)

- **Shake me!**
- **Fill me!**
- **Embolden me!**

Do you need to be shaken, filled, and emboldened?

Pray together as the believers in Acts did. Ask God to shake you, fill you, and embolden you.

Additional Scripture

- Acts 5:28-29
- Psalm 124:8
- Nehemiah 9:6
- 1Corinthians 9:16
- 2Corinthians 11:6
- Ephesians 5:18
- Ephesians 6:18-19