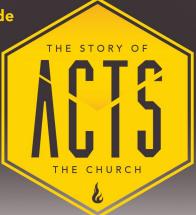
An Unstoppable Movement Acts 5:17-42

Community Group Discussion Guide March 5, 2017



## **Questions for Study and Group Discussion**

\*\*Read Acts 5:17-42 as a group before answering these questions.

- 1. Share about your desire to live for "something greater" than yourself. Do you think about this often? Do you currently feel like you'll 'leave a legacy' in the way you live your life right now?
- 2. Why do you think this desire to live for a greater cause seems to be ingrained in us? Do you think everybody has this in their DNA?
- 3. How do we justify this desire to live for a cause (and to be 'ALL IN' for it), alongside another natural tendency—to seek comfort, safety, and security?
- 4. What would you say is the central purpose of Christianity even today in America?
- 5. Particularly concerning God's mission in the world, how hard do we "push" when we want others to buy into this worldview?
- 6. What stories of Christians being persecuted have you heard about from within the last decade? What about from within the last century?
- 7. Have you ever felt persecuted for your faith in Christ? If so, share about it.
- 8. Talk a little about civil disobedience. Don't get lost in political debate; but when is it right (if ever) to disobey the governing laws and authorities? (See Acts 5:27-29)
- 9. What does our response need to be if we ever are persecuted for our faith in Christ? (See Acts 5:40-42)
- 10. Read Acts 1:8. Why is it important to remember that we're still a part of this verse today?
- 11. How and why do we keep from despairing when we don't live and speak up for the cause of Christ in our lives?
- 12. **Next Step**: How can you take a risk for the mission of God this week?