

Acts 5

The Apostles Imprisoned And Beaten, But Keep On Preaching

I. Ananias And Sapphira Lie And Are Punished (vv. 1-11)

- A. *Kept part of the money they claimed to give* (vv. 1-2).
- B. *Peter rebuked them for lying and they fell dead* (vv. 3-10).
 - 1. Ananias (vv. 3-6).
 - 2. Sapphira (vv. 7-10).
- C. *Their punishment caused the church to fear* (v. 11).

II. The Apostles Perform Miracles (vv. 12-16)

- A. *Miracles and signs done by the apostles* (vv. 12, 15-16).
- B. *Caused many to believe and obey* (vv. 13-14).

III. Apostles Imprisoned, Questioned And Beaten (vv. 17-40)

- A. *Imprisoned* (vv. 17-21a).
 - 1. Cast in prison (vv. 17-18).
 - 2. Released by an angel to go preach (vv. 19-21a).
- B. *Questioned by the council* (vv. 21b-39).
 - 1. Council gathers and sends for apostles (vv. 21b-26).
 - a. Council gathers (v. 21b).
 - b. Send to the prison for apostles - not there - but preaching (vv. 22-25).
 - c. Brought the apostles to the council (v. 26).
 - 2. Apostles questioned about their continued teaching (vv. 27-28).
 - 3. Peter's defense (vv. 29-32).
 - a. Ought to obey God rather than man (v. 29).
 - b. God raised Jesus and exalted him to give repentance and forgiveness (vv. 30-32).
 - 4. Gamaliel's advice (vv. 33-39).

- a. Council wanted to kill them (v. 33).
- b. Gamaliel said: leave them alone (vv. 34-39).
 - (1) If of man - come to nothing (vv. 34-38).
 - (2) If of God - cannot overthrow it (v. 39).

C. *Beaten, commanded not to teach and then let go* (v. 40).

IV. Apostles Continue To Preach Christ (vv. 41-42)

- A. *Rejoiced being counted worthy to suffer* (v. 41).
- B. *Did not cease preaching Christ* (v. 42).

~ Key Verses: 41-42 ~