

## God Will Not Be Stopped!

Text: Acts 5:17-42

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**Big Idea: God cannot be stopped, so witness with confident obedience!**

**Context is key!**

**Question #1 (Context)**

*Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?*

- a) What is the setting and what is happening?
- b) Who are the main characters?
- c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

**Question #2 (Context)**

*Ask Yourself: What does the text say about God and about me?*

- a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
- b) Do the words in the text predict, prophesy or picture something about Jesus? If so, what?
- c) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
- d) Does the text point to my need for Jesus? How?

**Question #3 (Context)**

*Ask Yourself: What are the principles, commands or promises given?*

- a) What is the overall theme of the text?
- b) Does the passage include any promise from God? If so, what?

**Question #4 (Context)**

*Ask Yourself: What is the application?*

- a) What is one specific way I can live by these truths, or trust in these promises today?
- b) What is the next step that I need to take to see this happen?

**Question #5**

Happy 6th Anniversary Hope!

- a) **Rd. Matthew 16:18:** Will Jesus be stopped from building His Church?
- b) Spend time sharing God At Work Testimonies for how He is/has been working a Hope Ottawa over the last 6 years!

**Prayer Application**

Spend time as a group or in accountability praying out of Acts 5:17-42. Some prompts are below.

- a) **ADORATION:** Jesus, You cannot be stopped, because You are \_\_\_\_\_
- b) **CONFESSION:** Lord, I repent of my unbelief in Your \_\_\_\_\_
- c) **THANKSGIVING:** Jesus, thank you for building Your Church by \_\_\_\_\_
- d) **SUPPLICATION:** Lord, I ask you for...i) Increasing faith in \_\_\_\_\_ ii) Greater gospel work in your church through \_\_\_\_\_ iii) Faith to count the cost in following You, and to rejoice in my suffering for You.

*Memory Verse:*

*"...if this plan or this undertaking is of man, it will fail; but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You might even be found opposing God!..."-Acts 5:38b*

