

Title | Portrait of Courage

Series | THE CHURCH THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

Text | Acts 4:13-31

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Acts 4:13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus. 14 But seeing the man who was healed standing beside them, they had nothing to say in opposition. 15 But when they had commanded them to leave the council, they conferred with one another, 16 saying, "What shall we do with these men? For that a notable sign has been performed through them is evident to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. . . . " 23 When they were released, they went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. 24 And when they heard it, they lifted their voices together to God and said, . . . 29 "And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness, 30 while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." 31 And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness. FSV

## Big Idea:

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# Sermon Notes

#### Acts 4:29

"And now, Lord, look upon their threats and grant to your servants to continue to speak your word with all boldness," ESV

# For Reflection & Application:

#### Monday:

Think of one person you know who needs the life Jesus offers. Then, pray this prayer: "Lord, please show me an opportunity to bring life to this person. And give me the courage to take it."

#### Tuesday:

Think of one more person to add to the list of people you know (now two) who need the life Jesus offers. Then, pray this prayer for each one: "Lord, please show me an opportunity to bring life to this person. And give me the courage to take it."

#### Wednesday:

Think of one more person to add to the list of people you know (now three) who need the life Jesus offers. Then, pray this prayer for each one: "Lord, please show me an opportunity to bring life to this person. And give me the courage to take it."

### Thursday:

Think of one more person to add to the list of people you know (now four) who need the life Jesus offers. Then, pray this prayer for each one: "Lord, please show me an opportunity to bring life to this person. And give me the courage to take it."

### Friday:

Think of one more person to add to the list of people you know (now five) who need the life Jesus offers. You now have a "five alive" list. Keep praying this prayer for each one: "Lord, please show me an opportunity to bring life to this person. And give me the courage to take it."

#### Daily Prayer:

Lord show me an opportunity to bring life to this person. And give me the courage to take it. Amen.