

# TRUE VINE WEEKLY



Sermon: Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with Boldness



Scripture: Acts 5:17-43,  
Romans 10:14-15



## Our 10 Convictions

1. Proclaiming the authority of God's word
2. Worshipping God in spirit and truth
3. Believing in the power of prayer
4. Making disciples who make disciples
5. Sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with boldness
6. Giving generously because God has given to us
7. Serving with our spiritual gifts to build up the body
8. Sending resources and qualified leaders to plant churches
9. Celebrating God's design for marriage, gender and the family
10. Protecting the flock from spiritual threats and wolves



## Big Idea - Don't Miss This!

What would you do if you were told to stay silent about Jesus?

In Acts 5:17–43, the early followers of Jesus are arrested, threatened, and ordered to stop speaking in His name.

Their response is simple but powerful: “We must obey God rather than men.”

That's not reckless rebellion. That's clear conviction. Because when you've encountered true life in Jesus, staying silent isn't an option.

The question for us isn't whether the message is worth sharing. Instead, the question is: what's holding us back from sharing it?



## Keep This Top of Mind

- The Gospel is good news that must be spoken, not hidden.
- Boldness is not personality, it's obedience empowered by God.
- Opposition doesn't stop God's mission, it often advances it.
- You are part of something unstoppable, and that's exciting!



## Pause & Be Honest

It's easy to quietly shift into silence. Not because we reject Jesus, but because we fear people more than we trust Him.

But silence can slowly become a habit. And habits shape our lives.

The early church didn't stop speaking about Jesus, even when it cost them.  
What's shaping your silence today?

Take a moment to reflect:

- What tends to hold me back from talking about Jesus?
- Am I more concerned with approval from people or obedience to God?
- Where has fear quietly shaped my silence?



## Talk About It

With family, friends, or even just on your own:


- What makes talking about Jesus feel difficult sometimes?
- What stood out to you about the apostles' response in Acts 5?
- Where do you already see God at work around you in terms of sharing the Gospel?
- Who is one person you could share the good news with this week?



## Try it Out!

Start simple, but be intentional:

- Pray daily: "God, give me boldness to speak about You."
- Look for one natural opportunity to mention Jesus in conversation
- Share a story of what God has done in your life
- Don't overthink it, just be faithful in the moments that present themselves

 Remember: Boldness grows through obedience, not over-preparation.



## Kids' Corner



### Key Truth

When we follow Jesus, we can be brave and tell others about Him, even when it feels scary. The apostles in Acts 5 loved Jesus so much that they kept sharing the good news, even after being told to stop. They knew obeying God was more important than pleasing people. God helped them stay bold, and He can help us too!



### Memory Verse

“We must obey God rather than men.” — Acts 5:29



### Talk About It

- Why do you think the apostles kept talking about Jesus even when it was hard?
- Have you ever felt nervous to talk about Jesus or pray in front of others?
- What do you think it means to be “bold” for Jesus?



### Make a Boldness Shield

What you need:

- Paper or cardboard
- Crayons or markers
- Scissors

Directions:

- Draw a big shield shape.
- Write “God Makes Me Bold!” in the middle.
- Around the shield, write or draw things like:
  - \* A person you can pray for
  - \* At least one way you can share Jesus
  - \* This week’s memory verse
- Decorate your shield with bright colors, stars and anything else you like!

Hang your shield somewhere you’ll see it this week as a reminder that you can be bold because God is with you wherever you go.

