



Week of JANUARY 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

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groups

## ACTS – IMPACT IMMINENT CHECK YOUR HEART

*“And with great power the Apostles were giving their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all.”*

Acts 4:33

### Warming Up

1. What was the biggest lie that you told as a child?
  - Did you get away with it?
  - What happened when you were found out?
2. Read through Acts 4:32-5:10 as a group.

### Digging In

1. See Acts 2:42-47 & 4:32-37. Imagine a place where everyone is wholeheartedly in love with the LORD.
  - From what you read in this passage, what appears to be the primary motivations of these Believers?
  - What was unique to this young church in Jerusalem?

2. From what you know of Barnabas in this passage and elsewhere in the NT, what are his Christlike characteristics that you most admire?
3. Of all the characteristics of these Believers, what one thing would you like to bring more of into 2019 to our church in Des Moines?
4. Acts 5:1-2. What appears to be motivating Ananias and Sapphira to carry out their plan?
  - How might that show itself in a local church these days?
5. Acts 5:3-11 The Lord promised His Disciples (also called the Apostles) that the Holy Spirit would give them extraordinary power for carrying out His great commission. In what ways is that power demonstrated in this passage?
6. What is it that Peter is so affronted about in the behavior of this couple?
7. If you were there and witnessed the deaths of Ananias and Sapphira, what do you think your response(s) would be?
8. What is the lesson or lessons that God is providing for His young church?

### Living Out

1. What does this passage reveal about the connection between truth and unity in the body of Christ?
  - ...The importance of being an authentic Christian?