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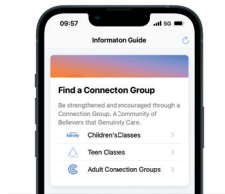
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“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12)

1. THE _____ OF COURAGE (v. 13)

A. A _____

THE COUNCIL’S PERCEPTION

Quote: “There is no inherent value or spirituality in ignorance, but often people glory in their education and become proud and lifted up, rather than humbly acknowledging that every good thing they have comes from God.”

THE COUNCIL’S MARVELING

B. A _____

Quote: “Nearness is likeness.”

“That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;” (Philippians 3:10)

“Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;” (Ephesians 3:8)

THEY WERE SPIRIT FILLED

“Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,” (Acts 4:8)

THEY SPOKE WITH BOLDNESS

“And when Peter saw it, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?” (Acts 3:12)

Quote: “The Holy Spirit gives us power for witness and for service. It is futile for us to try to serve God without the power of the Holy Spirit. Talent, training, and experience cannot take the place of the power of the Spirit.”—**Warren Wiersbe**

THEY SPOKE WITH AUTHORITY

“And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at his doctrine: 29 For he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.” (Matthew 7:28–29)

2. THE _____ AGAINST THE COURAGEOUS (v. 14–18)

A. The _____ of Godly Influence

THEY FEARED THE POWER OF JESUS

“Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.” (Acts 3:6)

“For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.” (Acts 4:22)

THEY COULD NOT SPEAK AGAINST THE MIRACLE

“And as they spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them, 2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and preached through Jesus the resurrection from the dead.” (Acts 4:1–2)

B. The _____ against Godly Influence

THEY CONFERRED PRIVATELY

“The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed,” (Psalm 2:2–3)

THEY THREATEN PUBLICLY

Quote: “Satan always resorts to force when other methods fail. The great concern of the Sanhedrin was not to get to the truth but to stop the truth from spreading.”—**John Phillips**

3. THE _____ OF THE COURAGEOUS (v. 19–20)

A. They _____ God

“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.” (Proverbs 1:7)

MAINTAINING COURAGE IN THE MIDST OF THREATS

1. Fear God More than Man

2. Expect Threats

“Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: 13 But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ’s sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.” (1 Peter 4:12-14)

3. Remember God’s Sovereignty

“And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.” (Romans 8:28)

Quote: “All the fiery trials are ‘Father Filtered’”

4. Leverage For Growth

“David said moreover, The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the LORD be with thee.” (1 Samuel 17:37)

Quote: “A smooth sea never made a skillful sailor.”

B. They _____ of God

THEY WERE COMPELLED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

“But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me.” (John 15:26)

THEY WERE OBEDIENT TO CHRIST

“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” (Matthew 28:18-20)

CONCLUSION

4 WAYS TO “BE WITH JESUS”

1. Through Salvation

*“Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.”
(John 3:7)*

2. Through the Word

*“Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.”
(John 5:39)*

3. Through Abiding With Christ

*“If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.”
(John 15:7)*

*“Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: 24 And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.”
(Psalm 139:23-140:1)*

“Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.” (James 4:7-8)

4. Through Prayer

“For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.” (1 Peter 3:12)



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