

***“The Word Spreads – A Study in the Book of Acts” Series***  
***Lesson Four: “Heart Matters”***  
*Acts chapter 5 through Acts 6:1-7*  
*Conqueror’s Sunday School Class – Sunday, July 12, 2026*

Today’s Lesson Theme Verse is found in this passage of Scripture...

***“And they departed from the presence of the council,  
rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name.”***

**Acts 5:41**

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Today’s Lesson Thought can be summed up in this one simple question...

***“If Every Other Christian Was Just Like Me,  
What Kind of Church Would My Church Be?”***

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***Lesson: “Heart Matters”***

**I : Servants With A Selfish Attitude**

**A: Their Selfishness was a Serious Matter**

- Acts 5:1-10, Acts 4:34-37, Jeremiah 17:10, I Chronicles 28:9

**B: God’s Discipline upon these people was Swift and Serious**

- Acts 5:11, Proverbs 19:25, I Corinthians 11:28-31, Hebrews 12:5-12, Proverbs 21:11, Proverbs 1:7
  - 1: God chastens His children because they are His children!
  - 2: God chastens His children because God loves His children!
  - 3: God chastens His children because God wants His children to be different than the devil’s children!
    - I Corinthians 6:11

**II : True Servants of God Who Had A Sacrificial Attitude**

**A: The Apostles’ Influence Expands**

- o Acts 5:12-16

**B: The Apostles Take A Bold Stand**

- o Acts 5:17-42, Luke 21:17, John 17:14, Romans 8:31, Acts 4:16-29, I Peter 4:12-17, Philippians 2:5-8, Hebrews 12:2-3

**III : True Servants With A Selfless Attitude**

**A: The Situation of Concern: Neglected Widows**

- o Acts 6:1, James 1:5

**B: The Solution to the Situation: Appoint Spirit-filled Servants**

- o Acts 6:2-7