



PROCLAIM

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Sermon Outline

Key verse

Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.

Acts 4:12

There is power in Jesus' name

1. Power for salvation

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

Romans 1:16

2. Power for living

When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

Acts 4:13

3. Power for witnessing

As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.

Acts 4:20

THE POWER OF JESUS

DISCUSSION GUIDE

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Opening Thought

The early church proclaimed the power of Jesus. So often we can get lost in trying to sell our faith; instead, we should point people to Jesus and let him do the rest.

Ice breakers

- What is the most powerful tool you have ever used?
- Where have you seen the power of God on display?

Dig Deeper

- Do you believe that your backstory can advance the kingdom of God? Why or why not?
- When was the last time you told someone about Jesus? What did the conversation look like? What was the outcome?
- Read 1 Corinthians 12:13, Romans 8:9, and Ephesians 1:13-14. What do these verses tell us about the Holy Spirit in the life of a believer?
- The authorities asked why Peter and John did what they did. What are you doing to be asked why you live the way you do, in a way that proclaims Jesus as Lord?
- In what areas do you need God's power this week?
- To whom might you be able to tell the Good News this week? How?
- What stood out to you from today's sermon?
- What is your main takeaway from today?

Closing

In spite of opposition, we are called to proclaim the good news of Jesus. Peter and John were put in jail for their faith, but boldly pointed to the power of God for healing and salvation. The early church grew steadily because they shared the life giving power of Jesus with the world. (see Acts 4:4) Filled with the Holy Spirit, our lives highlight Jesus and help draw others to him.