HomeGroup Discussion Guide

June 15-22, 2009

Key Idea of the Week:

Scripture teaches that Christians are ambassadors for Jesus in the world. We are encouraged to share not just the truth of Jesus, but how He has impacted and changed our lives. Why is it so hard to share this good news with people?

Discussion Guide:

Pray for God to soften your hearts and speak to you as you open His Word together.

Read Acts 5:17-34; 40-42.

Discuss

What might the apostles have feared when the angel of the Lord told them to go stand in the temple courts and tell the people about the 'new life?'

Were these fears legitimate? Why or why not.

The Pharisees were violently opposed to the apostles testimonies. In your experience, are people today opposed to hearing about your personal spiritual experiences?

Tell of a time when you shared your personal story with someone. How did they respond?

What stops you from telling people about your spiritual experiences?

Do you think there is ever a time that you shouldn't share your spiritual experience with someone? Explain.

What do you think is the 'heart' of your personal story? What part of your history is unique and transferable and that some other people might need to hear?

What can you do that will make it easier to speak readily when the time comes?

Pray for courage to act on what you've learned this week and for any requests that may have been raised by members of the group.