

THE MIRACULOUS MESSAGE (PART 2)

ACTS 5:17-26

I. The _____ (Vs. 17-18)

II. The _____ (Vs. 19-21)

III. The _____ (Vs. 22-25)

IV. The _____ (Vs. 26)

Points to Ponder

1. Consider how the persecution of the early church was driven by three different thrusts. It was emotionally charged, physically imposed and socially driven (5:17-18). God wants to remind us that Satan and the persecution of Christ's church will not stop until Christ establishes His Kingdom. What do you think about suffering? Do you view it as something for your good? What is God's perspective on suffering?
2. Consider how the apostles were not set free for the hills and hide out (5:19-20). They were set free for a purpose—to preach the Gospel to those that were captive. Is this not true for all of us? We are not saved/ set free so that we can enjoy our own comfort and ease but so that we can live for Christ and share Christ with others. When was the last time you shared the Gospel with someone?