

Discussion Questions for “The Unstoppable Gospel: Wonders”

Acts 5:12-42 (Reading: 5:12-26), Pastor Tom Olson, Weekend of July 11th & 12th, 2026

Sermon Outline

A pattern to learn:

- Wonders (vv. 12-16)
- Suffering (vv. 17-18)
- Wonders (vv. 19-25)
- Suffering (vv. 26-33)
- Wonders (vv. 34-39)
- Suffering (vv. 40-42)

The help of learning this pattern:

1. Christ and His Church will prevail (vv. 14, 30, 39, 42).
2. Faithful followers of Jesus will suffer (vv. 17-18, 26-33, 40-42).
3. It is an honor to suffer for the name of Jesus (v. 41).

Sermon Questions

1. Is the pattern we find in Acts 5:12-42 – this mix of *wonders* and *suffering* – surprising to you at all? Why or why not?
2. Try to come up with a list of at least 3-4 other places in the Bible where we see this same pattern.
3. Have you ever experienced opposition like this – opposition even a *little bit* like the early church faced here in Acts 5?
 - a. What did you learn about *God* in that season?
 - b. What did God teach you about *you* in that season?
4. What danger is there in *ignoring* the pattern we find in Acts 5 – that is, in thinking that the Christian life will always be easy?
5. What practical help is there in *knowing* this pattern – in *being prepared* for the fact that faithful Christians will experience suffering?
6. Why can we *rejoice* in suffering for Jesus – just like the believers do in verse 41?

(Questions continue on next page.)

7. Thinking of your answers to the last few questions, how do you need your LIFE Group to support you in prayer right now?
8. Share a time that you've seen Christ *prevail* in the face of opposition and suffering.
9. What *wonders* has Christ worked in your life?
10. Any other takeaways from this passage or message?