

April 14, 2013
Let's Look at The Book of Acts
The Power of Persuasion
Acts 5:33-42

- 33 But when they heard this, they were cut to the quick and intended to kill them.
- 34 But a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the Law, respected by all the people, stood up in the Council and gave orders to put the men outside for a short time.
- 35 And he said to them, "Men of Israel, take care what you propose to do with these men.
- 36 For some time ago Theudas rose up, claiming to be somebody, and a group of about four hundred men joined up with him. But he was killed, and all who *were persuaded by* him were dispersed and came to nothing.
- 37 After this man, Judas of Galilee rose up in the days of the census and drew away *some* people after him; he too perished, and all those who *were persuaded by* him were scattered.
- 38 So in the present case, I say to you, *emphatically*, stay away from these men and let them alone, for if this plan or action is of men, it will be overthrown;
- 39 but if it is of God, you will not be able to overthrow them; or else you may even be found fighting against God."
- 40 And *they were persuaded by him*; and after calling the apostles in, they *beat* them and ordered them not to *continue speaking* in the name of Jesus, and *then* released them.
- 41 So they went on their way from the presence of the Council, rejoicing that they had been *accounted as* worthy to *be dishonored* for *His* name.
- 42 And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they *did not cease continually* teaching and *proclaiming* Jesus as the Christ.

Reputation test...

A pattern emerging...

Wisdom (observations and deductions)...

A study in the power of persuasion...

Upcoming Events

- **Today** ~ **Rap Session @ 12:15 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Cards to submit questions can be found on the information wall in the Foyer.
- **April 20th** ~ **Chris Tomlin Concert** ~ this is the last day to purchase your raffle tickets (\$2 each) for your chance to win two tickets (valued @ \$100) for floor level seating ~ on sale after service in the Foyer. *Drawing will be held today during the Rap Session.* Proceeds will benefit the Food Bank.
- **April 20th through June 8th** ~ **Christian Athletic Program (CAP) @ 1:30-3pm** ~ Spring Season begins (soccer/flag football) @ Concordia Lutheran School field (202 E. 56th St., Tacoma, WA 98404) for boys/girls ages 5-14. Any questions, please call Michael Wheelock @ (253) 353-9311.
- **April 21st** ~ **Baptism Class @ 8:45-9:45 am** in Classroom #1. If interested in being baptized on 4/28, *you must have attended both baptism classes (today & 4/21).*
- **April 22nd & 29th** ~ **Intensified Drama (Adult Education Class) ~ @ 6-7:30 pm** in Classroom #1. Please fill out a registration card found in the Foyer information area and place it in the drop-off slot or give to an usher, or you may now register online at www.lgministries.org.
- **April 28th** ~ **Baptism** ~ both baptism classes (4/14 & 4/21) must be attended in order to be baptized.
- **April 28th** ~ **Cupcake Wars** ~ after service in the Fellowship Hall. This is a "fun" fundraiser event with proceeds going to purchase outside signage & banners for the church. To enter, sign up in the Foyer or email office@lgministries.org. Tickets are \$5 each or \$20 per family & may be purchased in the foyer after services or online at www.lgministries.org ~ click on: Donate/Cupcake Wars.

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