



## **Connect Groups Application from Sunday 10 June 2018**

### **Background**

On Sunday we considered Acts chapter 4:1-31 where Peter and John were arrested but demonstrated great boldness and courage to continue to testify about Jesus. In particular this is highlighted in verses 13, 19 and 31.

After a bold defence before the Sanhedrin, Peter and John returned to the other disciples and they all immediately turned to prayer. (v 23-31) They are asking God to:

- consider the threats made against them
- and for his servants to speak the word boldly.
- And that he would stretch out his hand to heal and perform miracles, signs and wonders in the name of Jesus.
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There was no holding back!

Boldness came to them because:

- They knew their identity in Jesus
- They encouraged each other with prophetic words and promises
- They remained in God's presence through prayer and worship

### **Suggested Actions**

Give opportunity for people to take small steps of boldness (like the stepping stones) and to try something new.

Call the good out of people by encouraging each other prophetically.

You could start in pairs but listen to God for each other and speak out what you see to encourage.

See if you can create courage buddies within your group or with others outside the Group.

Have a fun meeting!

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