

ACTS

Group Guide:
Week 4

CONNECT BREAK THE ICE AND GET PEOPLE TALKING

- What are you always sharing with people around you? A book, a product, an experience—tell us what you can't stop evangelizing!
- Have you ever met someone whose boldness you admired? Tell us about them!
- Discipleship check-in (at the bottom of this guide).

INTRODUCTION

The book of Acts takes place after Jesus has conquered death and risen from the grave. It begins with Jesus giving his disciples the power they need to live out his mission in the world. Acts is the story of how Jesus, the Spirit, and the disciples start the church. Today, we see the first Christ followers trusting fully in his name and in his gospel.

READ & DISCUSS

READ: Acts 4:1-31

DISCUSS:

- What annoys the priests in this passage? What astonishes them?
- What does the Holy Spirit do in this passage?
- Verse 31 echoes the beginning of Acts at Pentecost—why do you think that is?

REFLECT & APPLY

DISCUSS:

- Are you as bold as Peter and John? Why or why not?
- Why do you think it is that Peter and John are filled with the Holy Spirit?
- Would you like to be filled with the Spirit in that way? Why or why not?

PRAY

Thank God for the gift of His Spirit, and for the gift of the Church birthed by that Spirit! Ask that He would pour out His Spirit on us even more in the coming season of our church's life.