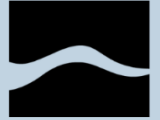


# SERMON NOTES

## DEPEND ON GOD IN PRAYER

### ACTS 4:23-31



**BIG IDEA:** To fulfill our mission, we must depend on God in prayer, asking for strength to speak his word with all boldness.

# APPLICATION GUIDE

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## DISCUSS

Can you share a time when you faced a challenge or opposition and found unusual strength by praying to God?

In Acts 4:23-24, why do Peter and John immediately turn to their friends and lift their voices to God in prayer? What does this reveal about their dependence on community and God?

How does the church's acknowledgment of God's sovereignty in verses 24-28 shape their perspective on opposition and threats?

What does their prayer for boldness (verses 29-30) teach us about their priorities in the face of persecution?

How does God respond to their prayer in verse 31, and what does this signify about the role of prayer in their mission?

## APPLY

When you face challenges in sharing your faith, do you naturally turn to prayer and your Christian community? Why or why not?

How does remembering God's sovereignty help you face opposition or uncertainty in your life?

In what ways can you pray for boldness in your personal mission field?

How have you experienced God's power and presence in response to prayer? Share an example.

What practical steps can you take to align your prayers with God's will and mission in your daily life?

## COMMIT

After reflecting on Acts 4:23-31, who are the people in your mission field? Start praying for them daily and share their names with other Christians who can join you in prayer.