

Acts 5:12-5:42

Truth and Consequences

A Supernatural Perspective on Suffering

Apostolic Signs/Wonders Elicit Varied Responses v12-16

What does this tell you about the premise of the claim some skeptics make today:
“If I could only see one miracle with my own eyes...then I’d believe.”

The Apostles Arrested by Men/Released by God v17-24

Man proposes...God disposes

The Apostles Brought Before the Sanhedrin v25-40

The Apostles Rebuked v25-28

We gave you (3:18) strict orders not to continue teaching in this/Jesus’ name

Peter Responds v29-32

(3:19-20) God > Government/The Resurrection of Christ Revolutionized Peter’s POV

The Sanhedrin (in Executive Session) Debate What to Do v33-39

Gamaliel was one of Saul’s/Paul’s teachers-mentors

The Apostles Warned, Beaten but...Released v40

A flogging like this could permanently disable and would definitely leave lasting scars

The Apostles Rejoice and Return to the Work Because of Their Supernatural Perspective on Suffering v41-42

Rather than feeling sorry for themselves...the Apostles felt privileged be “considered worthy to suffer shame for His/Jesus’ name.”!?!

Take This To Heart

**The Reality of the Resurrection of Christ (and Our Life After Death in Him)
Should Totally Change Our Perspective on Suffering Now**