

ACTS
In Awe of God
Acts 5:1-16

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1. The Jerusalem Church not only endured opposition from outside, they also had to deal with opposition from _____.

- a. The oneness of heart the Lord blessed His people with, was made _____ in their corporate worship and unselfish caring for one another.
- b. That oneness was especially illustrated through the example of _____.
- c. Satan attacked the oneness of the church through the planned deception of Ananias and Sapphira.
 - 1) It was an attempt to deceive the _____ and gain the praise of men for themselves.
 - 2) It was a foolish and sinful attempt to try the patience of _____.

2. The Lord vindicated Himself and His Church in His righteous judgment of Ananias and Sapphira.

*“The church is the place of God’s _____.”
- Eckhard Schnabel*

- a. Ananias and Sapphira were _____ and given opportunity to respond about what they had done.
- b. By God’s decree, Ananias and Sapphira were put to _____ for their sin against the Spirit of the Lord.

3. God used this attack of Satan to _____ His Church and their testimony to the world.

- a. An increased _____ for God came over the church and all who heard of this event.
- b. The fear of God was heightened by the miraculous _____ that were taking place through the apostles.
- c. Though the people in the city were in awe of the believers, by God’s grace, many were brought to faith in Christ and _____ in the church.

“When the purity of the church and the obvious presence of the Lord in it make people afraid to join, then there is no way to prevent _____.” - W.O. Carver