

Sharing Love in Truth

Acts 4:32-37; 5:1-11

1. The church began in the city of Jerusalem with about _____ people.

 And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of names together were about an hundred and twenty,) **Acts 1:15 (KJV)**

2. After Peter preached a sermon in the city of Jerusalem during the Jewish Holiday Feast of Pentecost, about _____ people joined the church.

 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added *unto them* about three thousand souls.
Acts 2:41 (KJV)

⁴⁴And all that believed were together, and had all things common;
⁴⁵And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all *men*, as every man had need.
Acts 2:44-45 (KJV)

3. During the early months of the church, people were being saved and joining the church almost every _____.

 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.
Acts 2:47 (KJV)

4. Peter preached another sermon and more than _____ people in Jerusalem joined the church.

 Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the **men** (*aner*) was about five thousand.
Acts 4:4 (KJV)

 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any of *them* that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common.
Acts 4:32 (KJV)

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5. Circle the *four* spiritual gifts in **Romans 12:8 (KJV)**.

 Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, *let him do it* with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness. **Romans 12:8 (KJV)**

6. Which one of the spiritual gifts recorded in **Romans 12:8 (KJV)** do you think was most prevalent during the early months in the church at Jerusalem? _____

 And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul: neither said any *of them* that ought of the things which he possessed was his own; but they had all things common. **Acts 4:32 (KJV)**

7. What is the major difference between the *early church at Jerusalem* and the *modern church today* as it relates to leadership?

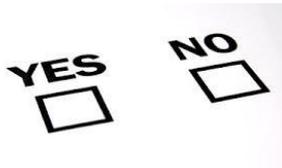
■ The early church at Jerusalem was led by _____.

■ The modern church today is led by _____.

 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all. **Acts 4:33 (KJV)**

 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; **Ephesians 4:11 (KJV)**

8. Did the apostles issue a *mandate* that all the members of the church at Jerusalem who owned property should sell their property and bring the money to the church?



 ³⁴Neither was there any among them that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the prices of the things that were sold, ³⁵ And laid *them* down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need. **Acts 4:34-35 (KJV)**

9. The name Barnabas means _____.

- a. Son of the Prophets
- b. Son of Encouragement
- c. Son of the Apostles

 And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, *and* of the country of Cyprus,
Acts 4:36 (KJV)

10. What or who do you think motivated Barnabas to sell some land and bring the money from the sale to the apostles? _____

 Having land, sold *it*, and brought the money, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.
Acts 4: 37 (KJV)

11. Barnabas, Ananias and Sapphira were similar in that they:

- a. They were members of the same _____.
(r c h u c h)
- b. They _____ some of their possessions.
(d l o s)
- c. They brought _____ to the church leadership (Apostles).
(m y e o n)

 ¹But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, ² And kept back *part* of the price, his wife also being privy *to it*, and brought a certain part, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.
Acts 5:1-2 (KJV)

12. What was the *difference* between Barnabas, Ananias and Sapphira?



Barnabas brought _____ of the money for the sale of the property to the church.

 Having land, sold *it*, and brought the money, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.

Acts 4: 37 (KJV)



Ananias and Sapphira brought _____ of the money for the sale of the property to the church.

 But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back *part* of the price of the land?

Acts 5:3 (KJV)

13. Did the church require Ananias to sell the property?

YES **NO**

Did the church require Ananias to give some or part of the money from the sale of the property after it was sold?

YES **NO**

 Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.

Acts 5:4 (KJV)

14. Complete: Who did Ananias and Sapphira lie to?

P _____ C _____ H _____ S _____ G _____

 But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to **lie** to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back *part* of the price of the land?

Acts 5:3 (KJV)

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Acts 5:4 (KJV)

15. What was the consequence of Ananias' lie? _____

 ⁵And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things.

⁶ And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried *him* out, and buried *him*.

Acts 5:5-6 (KJV)

16. What was the consequence of Ananias' wife's lie? _____

 Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying *her* forth, buried *her* by her husband.

Acts 5:10 (KJV)

17. The death of Ananias and his wife Sapphira got the _____
(t t a n e t n o i)

of the _____ and those who heard about this incident.
(h c r u c h)

 And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

Acts 5:11 (KJV)

18. The sound from heaven on the day of Pentecost got the _____
(t a n t e t n o i)
of the _____ in Jerusalem and they came together.
(o c r d w)

 ²And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. **Acts 2:2-4 (NKJV)**

 And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language.
Acts 2:6 (NKJV)

19. The lame man that the Holy Spirit healed through Peter and John got the _____ of the _____ in Jerusalem and they
(t a n t e t n o i) (e o p p e l)
came together.

 Now as the lame man who was healed held on to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the porch which is called Solomon's, greatly amazed.
Acts 3:11 (NKJV)

Greek Word Study

Parakaleo – to strongly encourage or admonish, often translated exhort.

Metadidomi – to share with or to impart

Proistemi – leadership ability

Eleeo – to have a compassionate and sympathetic spirit toward people in need, often translated mercy

Aner – males, often translated men.

Anthropos – mankind without distinction of male or female

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⁵ And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things.

⁶ And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried *him* out, and buried *him*.

⁷ And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in.

⁸ And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much.

⁹ Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband *are* at the door, and shall carry thee out.

¹⁰ Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying *her* forth, buried *her* by her husband.

¹¹ And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.