September 20, 2020 - God's Amazing Wonders

Acts 5:12-16

Always when God is moving and working our enemy, Satan, comes in to do his best to mess things up or to disrupt God's work.

- We can count on him for that, which is why it is imperative that we be alert and on our quard against the schemes of the devil.
- V.12a Now all the apostles are performing miraculous signs and wonders.
- These miraculous signs and wonders were solid evidence that the Lord Jesus was actively at work in and through His followers.
- <u>V.12b</u> The temple portico known as Solomon's Colonnade became the customary meeting place for the early Church.
- Our enemy, the devil, with all of his demons and evil schemes, can **NOT** thwart the worship of God or the work of God!
- <u>Vv.13-14</u> A better translation of the beginning of v.13 is "None of the rest dared" instead of "No one else dared".
- But, multitudes of men and women alike still came to fully believe and trust in Jesus.
 - Again, Satan can not thwart the work of God on or in people.
- $\underline{v.15}$ The presence of God's Holy Spirit in Peter was so potent that even just the "touch" of his shadow brought healing to people.
- As with Jesus and the woman who had been bleeding for 12 years. (Matthew 9:20-22)
- Like what happens with the Apostle Paul's handkerchiefs and aprons in Acts 19:11-12.
- V.16 An even stronger, more specific reiteration of v.12.
- God, and God's work in and through His true disciples, can not be threatened by nor thwarted by the workings of the evil one.

YOU who are born-again in Christ Jesus are one of God's greatest extraordinarily amazing wonders of all - His masterpiece!

- Created in His very image Genesis 1:27.
- And re-created in Christ Jesus Ephesians 1:3-6, Ephesians 2:10.