



Pray through the following questions.

- 1) Is there one of the 4 discipleship components that God is asking you to lean into more?
- 2) Pray for the 3 people you wrote down from Question 9 and ask God for opportunities to invite them to church.
- 3) What are you grateful for? Let Him know, and worship Him for it.

## **I Believe**

*Bold Church*

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**Message Thread:** As the Church, our boldness is the result of what we believe.

**Text:** Acts 2:1 – 21 NLT

### **Finding BOLDNESS**

- Just minutes before
- What were they doing before to inspire their boldness?
- Pursuing God - A people experiencing God.
- Pursuing God...together - A people experiencing God—together.

**Action Item:** Pursue God and your boldness will increase.

**Text:** Acts 2:42 – 47 NLT

**This fearful Church from Acts 1 is now the BOLD Church of Acts 2.**

**The Game Plan is exactly for this purpose.**

- We know why we are here and why we exist.
  - Our Vision - “People experiencing God.”
    - What we see for you!
  - Our Mission - “Empowering people to live as fully devoted followers of Jesus.”
    - What we spend our time and efforts doing!

**We know how we behave as followers of Jesus.**

- Core Values as the Church
  - The Bible is our source.
  - We choose a culture of grace and truth.
  - Loving God and others drive us.

### **Challenge:**

- Take BOLD MEASURES.
- What do you believe?



**DEVOTIONALS  
& MESSAGE  
RESOURCES**

**Life Group Homework**  
**I Believe (Bold Church)**  
**Winter 2023 | Week 4**  
Message Date 2/5/2023

**MY STORY**



- 1) What is your favorite musical instrument and why?
- 2) If you could instantly become an expert in something, what would it be?

**QUICK REVIEW**



- 3) What caught your attention from Sunday's message?

**DIGGING DEEPER / TAKING IT HOME**



Acts 2:42-47(NLT)

42 All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer.

43 A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders. 44 And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. 45 They sold their property and possessions and shared the money with those in need.

46 They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity—

47 all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved.

- 4) What did the early church do together in the beginning?
- 5) These 4 things are ways the early church grew deeper and had greater influence on the world around them. This influence took time, but they were committed to the process. Last week Pastor Craig shared our discipleship model and how we as a church train up our people. What are the 4 components we use? How are these similar to what the early church was doing?
- 6) Of these four things, is there something in your life you need to lean into more?

- 7) What was the result of the early church practicing these things with the community around them?

In thinking about taking bold measures with our generation, many times we can get the cart before the horse. We tend to think about all the problems the world faces and how some voices are louder than others. We can easily become discouraged by some of the social issues we face on a regular basis. This is similar to the early church. The culture of their time was a mess, and there was a lot going on that was wrong. They did not have an easier road; it was just different due to the pace of life and differences in technology. However, they did something that changed the world.

- 8) What did the early church do that helped them keep the cart behind the horses, or that helped them stay on mission?
- 9) Who are 3 people that God wants you to invite to join you on this journey? Write their names down. Begin to pray for them and the opportunity to invite them to sit with you at church.
- 10) How can we, as your group, help you in your own personal journey at the side of Jesus?