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(vv.13-14)

2. Speak \_\_\_\_\_  
(vv.15-20)

3. Speak \_\_\_\_\_  
(vv.21-22)

**Acts 4:13** Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus. **14** But seeing the man who was healed standing beside them, they had nothing to say in opposition. **15** But when they had commanded them to leave the council, they conferred with one another, **16** saying, "What shall we do with these men? For that a notable sign has been performed through them is evident to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and we cannot deny it. **17** But in order that it may spread no further among the people, let us warn them to speak no more to anyone in this name." **18** So they called them and charged them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. **19** But Peter and John answered them, "Whether it is right in the sight of God to listen to you rather than to God, you must judge, **20** for we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard." **21** And when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding no way to punish them, because of the people, for all were praising God for what had happened. **22** For the man on whom this sign of healing was performed was more than forty years old. (ESV)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Romans 1:16** and **1 Corinthians 1:22-25**. Why is the saving power of the gospel something so important to keep in view when we consider our calling to share the message?
2. Read **Acts 4:13** and **1 Corinthians 1:26-31**. What advice would you give to a Christian who feels inadequate to share the message of the gospel?
3. Read **Luke 24:46-47**. Consider the phrase "all nations" in v.47. What specific steps will you take to help ensure that our nation in this present period of history sees this command fulfilled?
4. Read **Acts 4:19-20** and **5:28-29**. What can you do to prepare yourself to be a faithful spokesperson of the gospel, if and when you are pressured to stop?

*This Week's Compass 20/20 Discussion Question* (see **CompassAV2020.com**)

- Read **2 Timothy 3:1-5**. Imagine the OC in the year 2050 if Christ's return were to be still forthcoming. How does that motivate you now to work, pray, and give toward the success of our Compass 20/20 objectives?

*This Week's  
Bible Reading Schedule*

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>**

*Num.8-10 & Mk.5:1-20*

**February 24<sup>th</sup>**

*Num.11-13 & Mk.5:21-43*

**February 25<sup>th</sup>**

*Num.14-15 & Mk.6:1-32*

**February 26<sup>th</sup>**

*Num.16-17 & Mk.6:33-56*

**February 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Num.18-20 & Mk.7:1-13*

**February 28<sup>th</sup>**

*Num.21-23 & Mk.7:14-8:10*

**February 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Catch up Day – Free Read*

**March 1<sup>st</sup>**

*Num.24-27 & Mk.8:11-38*

*The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website and App (FocalPointMinistries.org).*

Msg. 18-06 – ***Living as Christ's Expatriates***  
Msg. 11-21 – ***Elections, Activism, & Civil Disobedience***  
Msg. 11-20 – ***Obedience, Honor, & April 15<sup>th</sup>***  
Msg. 18-04 – ***Submitting to Christ's Sovereign Authority***  
Msg. 11-18 – ***Human Laws & Christian Conduct***  
Msg. 18-03 – ***Adopting Christ's Regal Priorities***  
Msg. 15-07 – ***Learning to Care About God's Fields***

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*Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.*

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Shelley, Bruce L. ***The Gospel and the American Dream***. Multnomah Press, 1989.  
Thomas, Cal & Ed Dobson. ***Blinded by Might: Why the Religious Right Can't Save America (2nd Ed.)***. Zondervan, 2000.  
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