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"CHRISTIAN COURAGE"

DO YOU HAVE THE **COURAGE** TO ACKNOWLEDGE **JESUS** ?

MAIN CAUSE FOR <u>LACK</u> OF <u>CHRISTIAN</u> COURAGE <u>FEAR</u> OF <u>CRITICISM</u>

John 7:13 NLT

"NO ONE HAD <u>THE COURAGE</u> to <u>SPEAK FAVORABLY</u> ABOUT JESUS <u>IN</u>

PUBLIC." for <u>THEY WERE AFRAID</u> of getting in trouble with the Jewish leaders

CONSEQUENCES = PLUS & MINUS

Matt 10:32-33 NIV

32- "WHOEVER ACKNOWLEDGES ME before men, I WILL ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE HIM before MY FATHER IN HEAVEN. 33- But WHOEVER DISOWNS ME before men, I WILL DISOWN HIM before MY FATHER IN HEAVEN.

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PETER AND JOHN COURAGEOUSLY HEALING IN JESUS' NAME

Acts 4:8-12 NIV

8-Then Peter, FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, said to them: "Rulers and elders of the people! 9-If we are being called to account today for an act of kindness shown to a cripple and are asked how he was healed, 10-then know this, you and all the people of Israel: IT IS BY THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZ-ARETH, WHOM YOU CRUCIFIED BUT WHOM GOD RAISED FROM THE DEAD, THAT THIS MAN STANDS BEFORE YOU HEALED. 11-HE IS "THE STONE you builders rejected, which has become the capstone." 12-SALVATION IS FOUND IN NO ONE ELSE, for there is NO OTHER NAME UNDER HEAVEN GIVEN TO MEN BY WHICH WE MUST BE SAVED."

COURAGE RECOGNIZED

Acts 4:13

"When they <u>SAW THE COURAGE</u> of <u>PETER</u> and <u>JOHN</u> and could see that they were <u>UNSCHOOLED</u>, <u>ORDINARY MEN</u>, THEY WERE <u>ASTONISHED</u> AND <u>TOOK</u> <u>NOTE THAT THESE MEN HAD BEEN WITH JESUS."</u>