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Holy Shift in “Boldness”

What is Boldness? (Acts 4:13, NKJV; Acts 4:13, NLT2)

- Boldness is:
 - Taking advantage of the opportunity as they present themselves.
 - Creating opportunity to witness for Christ.
- Holy Shift in boldness is being bold about what we believe – the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. (John 3:16, NKJV)
 - Boldness is deciding to say something when it would be easier to say nothing.
 - Boldness is not so much an expression of your knowledge or education but the bold application of the truth.
 - Boldness is believing everyone this side of heaven owes everyone this side of hell the opportunity to hear how to go to heaven.
- Boldness proves that being with Jesus He will take ordinary people and use them to do the extraordinary.
- Boldness is not whether you are educated or not, it’s all about being in the right position for Christ.
- Right Position + Right Power = Right Amazement
- Being bold is a matter of receiving your power to present the Gospel of Christ. (Romans 1:16, NKJV)

Why are we not bold today? (Acts 4:13-14, NLT2)

- We are not bold because we are afraid of the assaults that come with boldness. (Acts 4:15, NKJV; Acts 4:17-21, NKJV)
 - Being assaulted for the right reasons will always bring Amazement and Glory to God.
 - Only God can judge someone’s heart. (Jeremiah 17:9-10, NKJV)
 - You will know the condition of your heart by your fruit life and if lives are being changed.
 - No Amazement, No Assault = No Change.
 - Boldness brings Amazement and then Amazement brings assaults.
 - Assaults will come because of jealousy.
 - Jealousy will rob you of God’s power.
 - Jealousy says, “life owes me.”

- To overcome jealousy begin celebrating what God has given you, and then celebrate what God has given others.
- We are not bold today because we have allowed ***Blessings*** to rob our ***Boldness***.
 - We are not bold is we have a very low threshold of pain and a lack of Godly-esteem.
 - Insight to being bold –Boldness hurts us in a good way! (Matthew 5:11-12, NCV)
- Answers to being bold.
 - Confess your sin of lack of boldness and claim God’s promises. (2 Timothy 1:7, NKJV; Romans 1:16, NKJV)
 - Begin getting your self-esteem and worth from Christ not people, places, or things.
 - Until you know who you are in Christ, you really don’t know who you are.