



"Winning The World Through Generosity"

Acts 4:32-5:16

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I. Acts 4:32-37 is similar to Acts 2:42-47. We see in both *Great...*

Power

Grace

While these things don't mean the early church was perfect, what did it mean?

II. The Great Generosity Of The First Christians

A. What's the myth often believed about the early church when it came to money?

B. How do we know that this idea is a myth?

C. But let's not allow the Church's example to leave us unchallenged.

III. The Story Of Ananias and Sapphira (5:1-11)

A. What was their problem?

B. Why was God so severe here?

IV. The Great Power We See In The Early Church (5:12-16)

A. We read this and probably are asking: "Where did all these signs and wonders go?"

There are 2 views on this:

View #1: Signs and Wonders haven't gone away at all.

View #2: *Signs and Wonders* are given to launch a new age of God that is dawning.

B. So are we saying that God doesn't act in power at all anymore, and everything has to be taken on faith?