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<sup>27</sup>Then they brought the apostles before the high council, where the high priest confronted them. <sup>28</sup>"We gave you strict orders never again to teach in this man's name!" he said. "Instead, you have filled all Jerusalem with your teaching about him, and you want to make us responsible for his death!" <sup>29</sup>But Peter and the apostles replied, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. <sup>30</sup>The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead after you killed him by hanging him on a cross. <sup>31</sup>Then God put him in the place of honor at his right hand as Prince and Savior. He did this so the people of Israel would repent of their sins and be forgiven. <sup>32</sup>We are witnesses of these things and so is the Holy Spirit, who is given by God to those who obey him." <sup>33</sup>When they heard this, the high council was furious and decided to kill them. <sup>34</sup>But one member, a Pharisee named Gamaliel, who was an expert in religious law and respected by all the people, stood up and ordered that the men be sent outside the council chamber for a while. <sup>35</sup>Then he said to his colleagues, "Men of Israel, take care what you are planning to do to these men!" <sup>36</sup>Some time ago there was that fellow Theudas, who pretended to be someone great. About 400 others joined him, but he was killed, and all his followers went their various ways. The whole movement came to nothing. <sup>37</sup>After him, at the time of the census, there was Judas of Galilee. He got people to follow him, but he was killed, too, and all his followers were scattered. <sup>38</sup>So my advice is, leave these men alone. Let them go. If they are planning and doing these things merely on their own, it will soon be overthrown. <sup>39</sup>But if it is from God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You may even find yourselves fighting against God!" <sup>40</sup>The others accepted his advice. They called in the apostles and had them flogged. Then they ordered them never again to speak in the name of Jesus, and they let them go. <sup>41</sup>The apostles left the high council rejoicing that God had counted them worthy to suffer disgrace for the name of Jesus. <sup>42</sup>And every day, in the Temple and from house to house, they continued to teach and preach this message: "Jesus is the Messiah."  
Acts 5:27-42

## Who Are You Going To Listen To?

## When Faced With Decisions Of Who To Listen To, Remember That. . .

1. God Is In \_\_\_\_\_ Of Who Is In \_\_\_\_\_  
Daniel 1:1-2, 2:20-21, Romans 13:1-2
2. We Are \_\_\_\_\_ Of Two \_\_\_\_\_  
Philippians 3:20, Colossians 1:12-14
3. We Are Here To Be \_\_\_\_\_ For \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 5:20, Colossians 3:17

## We Obey Jesus When We. . .

1. \_\_\_\_\_ For Those In Authority  
1 Timothy 2:1-4
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Those In Authority  
Romans 13:1-2, 1 Peter 2:11-18
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Those In Authority  
Daniel 3:16-18 & 4:19, 2 Timothy 2:24-26

### Memory Verse

"Everyone must submit to governing authorities. For all authority comes from God, and those in positions of authority have been placed there by God."  
Romans 13:1

### MY NEXT STEP IS TO. . .

- ☐ Commit my life to Jesus Christ by receiving Him as my Lord and Savior for the first time
- ☐ Get the most out of each weekend's message by signing up for a Life Group
- ☐ Ask God to help me to pray for, obey and respect those in authority
- ☐ Memorize Romans 13:1

