

ACTS: LESSON 6

VI. SIN IN THE CHURCH AND SECOND PERSECUTION (CHAPTER 5).

- A. Ananias and Sapphira struck dead for lying and trying the Spirit of God (v.1-11).
- B. The apostles work miraculous signs of healing and church prospers (v.12-16).
- C. The apostles imprisoned and miraculously escape by the hand of an angel (v.17-25).
- D. The apostles confess that they must obey God in the presence of the questioning high priest and council (v.26-32).
- E. Gamaliel reasons with the council ready to slay the apostles (v.33-40).
- F. Apostles beaten and rejoice (v.41-42).

QUESTIONS:

1. What was the sin of Ananias and Sapphira?
2. How did the Holy Spirit deal with it?
3. What was the result of such disciplinary action in the church and in the community?
4. How were the apostles released when next imprisoned?
5. What charge from the authorities did the apostles consistently disobey?

6. Does this mean that the Christian has the right to disobey laws of government? Explain.

7. What blessings were based upon God exalting Jesus?

8. Who saved the apostles' lives?
What did they suffer?

9. How did the apostles react?