

# INSUFFICIENT – Sermon Series

## Discussion Questions – Motivation

What concepts jumped out to you in this sermon? Was it something new or something tried-and-true that resonates with you?

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Read Acts 4:29-31. The early church was already experiencing social exclusion and even persecution, yet what need were they most urgently praying for? Was it granted?

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Read Acts 4:32-35. How did the early church fund their outreach and support needy believers? How did this giving correspond to their prayer for boldness?

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Read Acts 4:36 to 5:2. What difference was there in what Joseph (Barnabas) gave and what Ananias and Sapphira gave?

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Read Acts 5:3-10. Ananias and Sapphira brought a very generous gift, even without the bit they skimmed off the top. What was the big sin? (See Matthew 21:28-31)

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The sin of Ananias and Sapphira is compounded when we realize it was premeditated and that they agreed to do it together. Read Ecclesiastes 4: 9, 10; Proverbs 25:26; Proverbs 27:17; 2 Corinthians 6:14; and 1 Corinthians 15:33. What lesson are we to learn about how we choose our friends, spouses, and associates?

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When the apostles prayed for boldness, God placed in their hearts to donate huge sums of money and risk imprisonment. When God calls us to take huge risks, how can we have the faith to act boldly? Provide at least 3 Bible verses to encourage bold faith.

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