

# OMNIPOTENT GOD

## ACTS 5:11-16

*How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)*

BACKGROUND: The body of believers could not *go to* ekklesia because they *were* the ekklesia—The Church. This is the first mention of the church in Acts.

**IS FEARED.** As a child, you hopefully loved your father. He was astonishing and amazing but was feared in that he, if needed, would discipline you. You were under his authority. Such is the relationship the church in Acts had with the Heavenly Father. (Acts 5:11, fn 5:11, Acts 9:31, Hebrews 12:4-13, fn 12:11. fn 12:12, 13[1<sup>st</sup>], Exodus 20:20, fn 20:20, Proverbs 16:6, Malachi 3:16, fn 3:16) *Is it important for you to teach your children the fear of God; and if it is, how do you do it?*

**IS GROWING HIS CHURCH.** Jesus promised Peter, “Upon this rock” (faith in who Jesus is) “I will build my church.” (Acts 5:12-14, fn 5:14, Matthew 16:13-18, fn 16:13-17, fn 16:18, Ephesians 2:19-22, fn 2:19-22, fn 2:20, I Peter 2:4-10, fn 2:4-8[2<sup>nd</sup>]) *How is God using you in growing His church?*

**IS POWERFUL THROUGH HIS APOSTLES.** (Acts 5:15, 16, fn 5:15, fn 5:16, Acts 5:12, Acts 1:8, fn 1:8[2<sup>nd</sup>], Hebrews 2:1-4, fn 2:4, Ephesians 1:18-23, fn 1:19, 20, fn 1:19, 20) *If God is omnipotent (all powerful), what should your expectations be for His church?*

*Pray for one another’s needs.*

*Who in your group needs your encouragement by phone or personal attention?*