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Boldness in Declaring the Gospel.

Boldness in the Face of Opposition.

Boldness in Truth.

Boldness comes through Prayer.

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Matters for Reflection and Discussion:

1. What does it mean to speak boldly for Christ, and how can we apply this in our daily lives?
2. Paul and his companions faced strong opposition while preaching the gospel. What kinds of opposition do believers face today, and how can we remain steadfast?
3. How does suffering for the gospel demonstrate true boldness? Can you think of examples from Scripture or history where Christians have endured hardship for their faith?
4. Why is it important for boldness to be grounded in truth? How can we guard against sharing the gospel in a way that is manipulative or deceptive?
5. How does prayer contribute to boldness in evangelism? What are some specific ways we can pray for courage to share our faith?
6. In what ways do fear and hesitation keep us from proclaiming the gospel? How can we overcome these struggles?
7. Paul and his companions trusted in God's strength rather than their own abilities. What are some ways we can learn to rely on God rather than ourselves when sharing the gospel?
8. What role does the Holy Spirit play in giving us the boldness to declare God's truth? How can we be more attuned to His leading?
9. How can we encourage one another as a church or small group to be bolder in sharing the gospel? What practical steps can we take to support each other in this calling?