

Week 3

Leader Note: *This is a great series to encourage students to start the habit of bringing their own Bible every week along with their Greater Things book. Bring it up weekly and continue to encourage and celebrate students who bring it every week.*

Have students open their Greater Things book to Page 85 and their Bibles to Acts 4

Start group time by talking about anything that caught their attention from the teaching that night OR from Sunday. Be prepared to lead the way with what you're learning on the weekend.

The early followers of Jesus were described as ordinary people with no special status. Why do you think Jesus chose to work through people like this instead of those with more influence or power?

Read Acts 4:8-20

Work through Page 85 in the book.

The council in Acts 4 noticed that Peter and John were "ordinary men" but recognized they had been with Jesus. How do you think spending time with Jesus can change a person?

If someone watched your actions and the way you treat others, would they be able to tell that you follow Jesus? Why or why not?



Think about a time when you had to step out in faith and do something that felt risky or uncomfortable. What motivated you, and what was the result?

The passage mentions that the boldness of Jesus' followers pointed others back to Jesus. What does it mean to be "bold" in your faith?

Work through page 86 in the book.

Give students 5-10 minutes to pray and reflect on the Next Steps questions and write in their books. This is the part we really want them to process between them and God.

The lesson suggests that true generosity and boldness come from a heart that trusts God completely. What are some things that might hold you back from being bold or generous, and how can you overcome them?

If you lived in such a way that people could only explain your actions by your relationship with Jesus, what would be different about your life? What's one step you can take this week to move in that direction?