



The Apostles Obey God

Acts 5:17-21

¹⁷ The high priest and all his friends (a group called the Sadducees) became very jealous. ¹⁸ They took the apostles and put them in jail. ¹⁹ But during the night, an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail. He led the apostles outside and said, ²⁰ "Go and stand in the Temple. Tell the people everything about this new life." ²¹ When the apostles heard this, they obeyed and went into the Temple. It was early in the morning, and they began to teach.



Jesus' disciples were still in danger and got arrested again. This time they got put into prison. It must have felt a bit like their plan had failed, but God knew better. His plan to rescue the world was not going to be stopped by some jealous men. So, he sent an angel to open the door - how amazing is that! The apostles were not put off - they went right back to telling everyone about Jesus!

There are times when our plans seem to go wrong, and we can't see how they can work out. But, if we are following Jesus and his plans, then we can know, that just like this story, God has a way through.

Read Acts 5: 39

If God wants something to happen, who are we to try to stand in the way?
What can we achieve when we follow God's lead?

"But if it is from God, you will not be able to stop them. You might even be fighting against God himself !"

Acts 5:39



Have you ever felt like something has failed and then it works out?

What does it feel like when you know you are working with God?

Do you think there is something God would like you to do this week?

What *can* we achieve when we follow God's lead?

PRAY Thank you that even when things seem impossible you still have a way. Help us to remember that when times are hard so that we trust you. Amen