LifeBridge BAPTIST CHURCH

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Sow Gospel Seeds

Lesson Four • Acts 19:8-20

Sow with Gospel Boldness

How Far Have We Come in Sowing Gospel Seeds?

*So far in this series, we have learned to sow with gospel abandon, accuracy, power, and now **BOLDNESS**!*

Sowing with Gospel Boldness in the Book of Acts

Sharing the gospel openly, fearlessly, confidently, and authoritatively!

Don't Panic!

*Boldness is a not a **PERSONALITY** type or us trying harder to be bolder.*

Be Desperate and Pray!

*Boldness is the **FRUIT** of God powerfully at work in us to bridge the gap to all peoples with the gospel.*

Depend on King Jesus and His Spirit to Sow with Gospel Boldness!

*Boldness is how "Actual" Christians sow gospel seeds when they are **WORD-FED** and **SPIRIT-LED**!*

Sowers, Posers, and the Fame of His Name

1. Sowers Are Bold and POWERFUL. *Acts 19:8-12*

Sowing with gospel boldness has powerful influence!

Powerful Influence Is Seen in…

- **PROCLAMATION** of the Gospel. (v. 8)
- **CONVERSION** of the Lost. (vv. 9, 18)
- **SEPARATION** of the Saved. (v. 9)
- **EXPANSION** to All Peoples. (v. 10)
- **AUTHENTICATION** of the Risen King. (vv. 11-12; 2:22, 43; 4:29; 14:3)

2. Posers Are Bold but POWERLESS. *Acts 19:13-16*

Sowing with gospel boldness can't be imitated.

- Posers *appear* religious but lack a living **RELATIONSHIP**. (vv. 13-15)
- Posers *attempt* to be bold for the fame of **THEIR** name. (v. 13)
- Posers *prove* to be **POWERLESS** and *fail* to **PREVAIL** over self, sin, and Satan. (v. 16)

3. Jesus Is Lord and ALL-POWERFUL. *Acts 19:17-20*

Sowing with gospel boldness has powerful influence that can't be imitated, because God is the ONE who gives the increase!

- The Name of the Lord gets **ALL THE FAME**!

  "This became known to all, both Jews and Greeks, who lived in Ephesus; and fear fell upon them all and the name of the Lord Jesus was being magnified." (v. 17)

- The Word of the Lord does **ALL THE WORK**!

  "So the word of the Lord was growing mightily and prevailing. (v. 20)

Who Gets the Glory When We Sow with Gospel Boldness?

The Name of the Lord gets all the fame, because the Word of the Lord does all the work!

Two Crucial Questions

Are you a powerful Sower or a powerless Poser?
How is your life and witness spreading the fame of His Name and showing the power of His Word here in Kansas City and around the world?

So Now What? GO SOW with GOSPEL BOLDNESS!

Instead of Being a Powerless Poser, Be a Powerful Sower Who Spreads the Fame of King Jesus' Name by Sowing with Gospel Boldness! His Word Will Always Prevail and Never Fail!

SEE YOU WEDNESDAY @ 7:00PM as WE WELCOME SOWERS Who Are BOLD & POWERFUL!