

WHEN GOD SHAKES THE ROOM

Acts 4: When God Shakes the Room

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HOW CAN WE PRAY LIKE THAT... sustain our closeness to Jesus AND see things SHAKE?

PATTERN:

PROBLEM → PEOPLE → PRAY → SHAKING
Threat Gather with like Crazy Something moves!

THE STORY — Acts 4

²³ When they had been released, they went to their own companions and reported all that the chief priests and the elders had said to them. ²⁴ And when they heard this, they lifted their voices to God with one accord and said, "O Lord, it is You who made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and all that is in them..."

²⁹ "And now, Lord, take note of their threats, and grant that Your bond-servants may speak Your word with all confidence, ³⁰ while You extend Your hand to heal, and signs and wonders take place through the name of Your holy servant Jesus." ³¹ **And when they had prayed, the place where they had gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God with boldness.** ³² And the congregation of those who believed were of one heart and soul; and not one of them claimed that anything belonging to him was his own, but all things were common property to them.

Acts 4:23–24, 29–32

Observe:

- ✓ Problems / Crisis / Threat — desperation can disrupt "prayerless entropy"
- ✓ People reflex — "gathering"
- ✓ Prayer reflex — actually, really and expectantly pray

LEARNING TO PRAY WITH MORE POWER

1. STOP (or at least SLOW DOWN)

- We must deal with the spiritual cancer of HURRY... it's really just unbelief.

2. DE-ISOLATE

3. ESCALATE — Turn up the intensity in our conversations with the God of the universe.

Ideas/ Suggestions

- Show up
- Pick one thing in your life or around your life that needs shaking
- Stop and actually pray
- Keep going and actually pray
- Rehearse the story and reality
- Get in the game
- Get baptized

AN INVITATION TO A CONVERSATION

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