Scripture: Acts 4:23-31 and Ephesians 6:10-20

Change is often times difficult and almost always inevitable.

We must change our methods without changing the message.

"For though I am free from all, I have made myself a servant to all, that I might win more of them. To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though not being myself under the law) that I might win those under the law. To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (not being outside the law of God but under the law of Christ) that I might win those outside the law. To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some. I do it all for the sake of the gospel, that I may share with them in its blessings." -1 Corinthians 9:19-23

Jesus is still the ultimate solution to every person's ultimate problem.

When it comes to mission, everyone battles fear.

For the sake of the mission, pray for boldness.

"Boldness doesn't mean rude, obnoxious, loud, or disrespectful. Being bold is being firm, sure, confident, fearless, daring, strong, resilient, and not easily intimidated. It means you're willing to go where you've never been, willing to try what you've never tried, and willing to trust what you've never trusted. Boldness is quiet, not noisy." -Mike Yaconelli

Acts 4:23-31

Jonah vs Paul

Ephesians 6:10-20

Acts 28:28-31

Three thoughts on reaching people:

- 1. Pray for boldness
- 2. Take a step in
- 3. Follow the mirror principle

Discussion Questions:

- 1. In your own words, describe what a quiet boldness is. When have you seen this kind of boldness in action?
- 2. What are some ways you have experienced noisy and obnoxious boldness?
- 3. What is at stake if the church is not bold? What might happen if the church is bold?
- 4. Do you think more like Jonah or Paul?