

## Apostles on Trial, pt. 2

Acts 5:33-42

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### Review:

- Apostles on Trial, pt. 1
  - Sanhedrin (Sadducees)
  - Tables turned – The accused become the accusers!
    - God of our Fathers raised Jesus (Resurrection!)
    - You killed Jesus by hanging him on a tree! (See Deut 21:23)
    - God exalted him to Savior: To give repentance and forgiveness
  - Response: They are beside themselves in anger!

### Apostles on Trial, pt. 2

- Gamaliel takes over the trial
  - Famous Pharisee – student of Hillel; Teacher of Paul (Acts 22:3)
  - Usurped the role of the High Priest!
    - Stood up & gave orders (!)
    - Sent the men out
    - For a little while (“This won’t take long.”)
- Gamaliel’s Counsel
  - Be careful! (See Acts 5:26)
  - Two examples: Theudas & Judas the Galilean
  - Point: If this is human origin, it will fail. But if it is from God....
  - Note: Proverbs 21:1 / 2 Samuel 15:31 & 16:20-17:23
- Sanhedrin’s Response:
  - They were persuaded.... sort of.
  - Gave the Apostles a flogging & told them to stop speaking in the name of Jesus.
- Apostle’s Response:
  - Rejoicing! (See Matthew 5:11-12)
  - They kept on speaking: Privately & publicly!

### Application:

- God’s got this!
- Don’t stop sharing!