

Acts

Chapter 4

Student

Contents: The first persecution of the followers of **THE CHRIST**. Peter's address to the Sanhedrin. Preaching in **JESUS'** name forbidden by the Sanhedrin. The second "filling of the HOLY SPIRIT coming after a communal prayer. The condition of the early Church at Jerusalem.

Characters: **GOD, JESUS, HOLY SPIRIT**, Peter, priests, captain, Sadducees, elders, scribes, Annas, Alexander, lame man, John, David, Herod, Pilate, Moses.

Conclusion: The more resolute are **CHRIST's** servants to witness of **HIM**, the more spiteful will be the agents of satan—therefore, let satan's agents be ever so spiteful, **CHRIST's** witnesses must be resolute, for the **HOLY SPIRIT** may be counted upon to enable them to do their part. Persecution gives wings to the truth.

Key Word: Persecution, 3, 29.

Strong Verses: 11, 12, 20, 31.

Striking Facts: 12. We will be lost if we do not take shelter in the name of **JESUS CHRIST** and make it their refuge and strong tower. Only by embracing **HIM** and **HIM** only, AND receiving **HIS** doctrine, is there salvation for any. **[Acts 4:12]**

Terms:

Sanhedrin/San'hedrim, n. [Low L. synedrium; Gr. with, together and seat.] - The great council of seventy elders among the Jews, whose jurisdiction extended to all important affairs. They received appeals from inferior tribunals, and had power of life and death.

Sadduce'an, a. Pertaining to the Sadducees, a sect among the ancient Jews, who denied the resurrection, a future state, and the existence of angels. Acts 23

Questions:

1. What did Peter do?
2. Why was he arrested?
3. Why was this important?
4. What happened in the community?
5. What other miracle occurred?