

TEACHING NOTES

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Review | Small Group Questions

Read Acts 5:12-16 together. Pray for wisdom as you discuss last Sunday's message and the following questions together.

1. Read and discuss the following statement: "*We have learned that the Spirit-filled church is unified, magnified, and multiplied. Satan wants to divide the church, disgrace the church, and decrease the church; and he will do it, if we let him.*"
2. Where do you see the church here unified (v12), magnified (v13) and multiplied (v14)? Where and how do you see these things happening in our own church?
3. The explanation for the start of verse 13 is most likely the events of 5:1-11, yet it says "*but the people held them in high esteem.*" In other words, though the outside world may not understand everything we do and why we do it, it is still possible to conduct ourselves in such a manner that the church is held in high regard even by outsiders. How do we help this? How do we hinder this? Read and discuss Ephesians 4:1-3 with this in mind.
4. Though God's work at Eastmont may be manifested differently than verses 15-16, how is God at work in this place right now? What can you as an individual, and as a group, do to let our light shine in Central Oregon? Read Matthew 5:16 and discuss how we do this.

Close your time in prayer together and that we would intentionally do the things God has called us as a church to do!