

HOW REVIVAL ACTS

Acts 4:13-22



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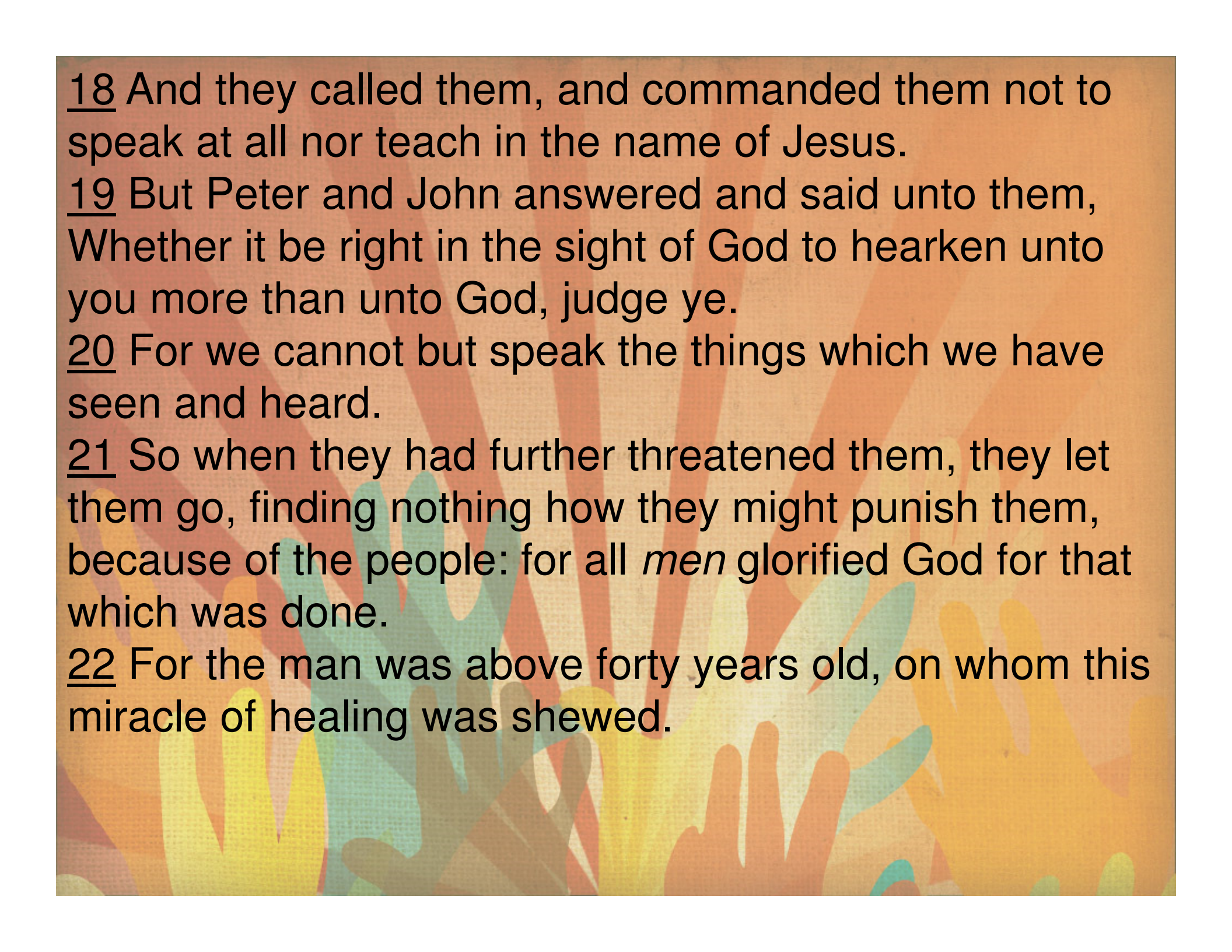
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14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.

15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,

16 Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them *is* manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny *it*.

17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.



18 And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.

19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all *men* glorified God for that which was done.

22 For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.

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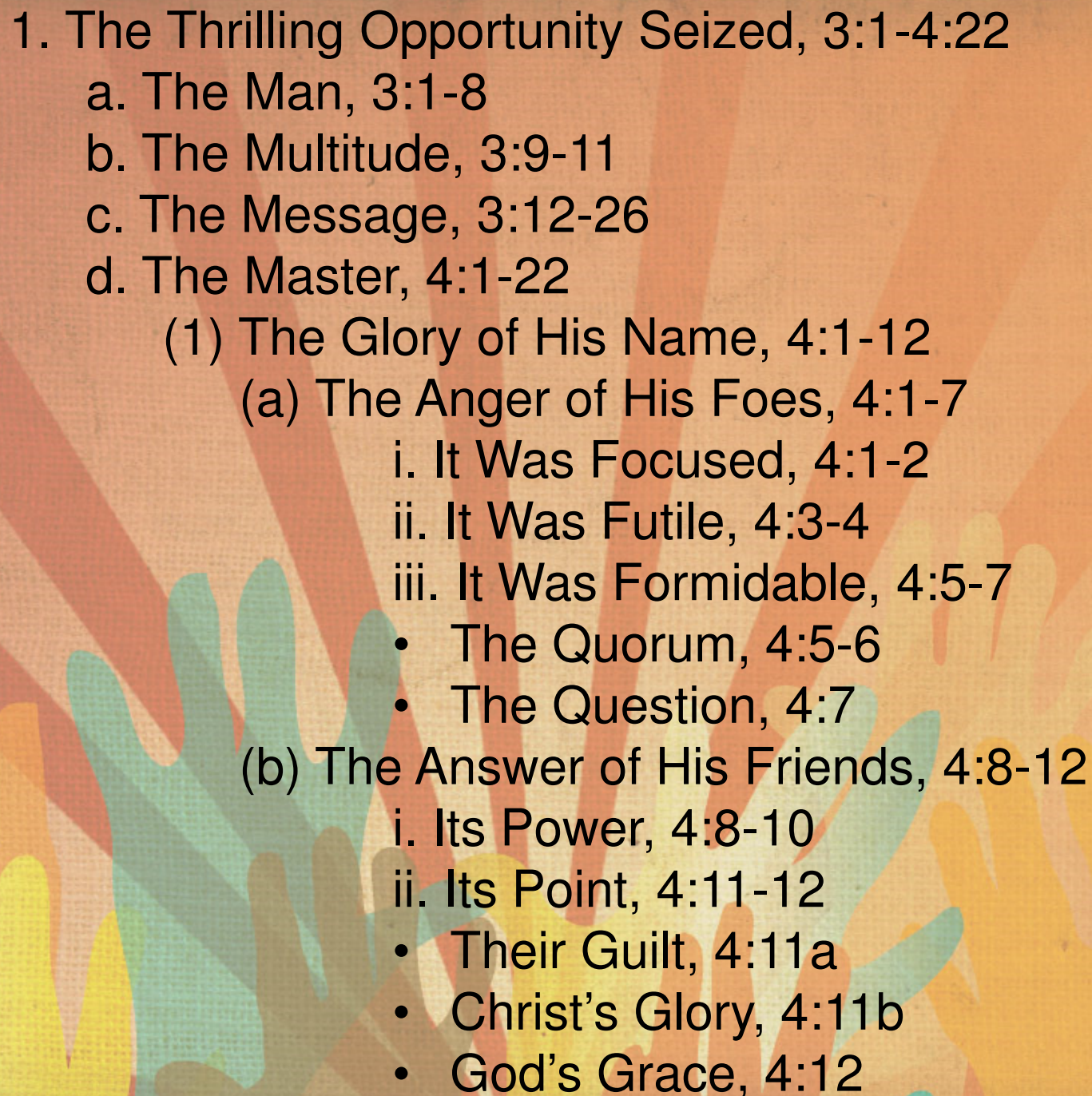
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(a) The Dilemma of the Rulers, 4:13-16

i. What They Saw, 4:13-14

- The Man Who Had Been with Jesus, 4:13

Acts 4:13 Now **when they saw the boldness of Peter and John**, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.

Mark 1:22 And they were astonished at his doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority, and not as the scribes.

Jn. 7:15 And the Jews marvelled, saying, How knoweth this man letters, having never learned?

Jn. 18:15 And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and *so did* another disciple: that disciple was known unto the high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest.

16 But Peter stood at the door without. Then went out that other disciple, which was known unto the high priest, and spake unto her that kept the door, and brought in Peter.

The standard of judging Peter and John was their own opinion of those educated within their circles.

“We are judged by those who are educated like us, and those not educated by those like us are therefore considered uneducated.”

- The Man Who Had Been Brought to Jesus, 4:14

Acts 4:14 And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, **they could say nothing against it.**

The “proof is in the pudding.” They could not deny what had happened to the lame man.

ii. What They Said, 4:15-16

Acts 4:15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,

16 Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them *is* manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and **we cannot deny *it*.**

Luke 21:15 For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, **which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.**

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i. It Was Despotic, 4:17-18

- Their Opposition to the Salvation of God, 4:17a

Acts 4:17a “But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them...”

- Their Opposition to the Son of God, 4:17b-18

Acts 4:17b “...that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.

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ii. It Was Defied, 4:19-22

- Promptly, 4:19-20

Acts 4:19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

- Properly, 4:21-22

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Conclusion

Luke 12:12 For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say.

Acts 4:8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

Luke 21:12 But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute *you*, delivering *you* up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.

Acts 4:3 And they laid hands on them, and put *them* in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.

Acts 5:18 And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison.

Luke 21:13 And it shall turn to you for a testimony.

Acts 4:9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

10 Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, [even] by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

11 This is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner.

12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Acts 5:29 Then Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

30 The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.

31 Him hath God exalted with his right hand *to be* a Prince and a Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.

32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and *so is* also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

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