

# EKKLESIA

## PART 4: BIG AND BOLD

The ekklesia was a bold, spirit-empowered movement anchored on the resurrection of Jesus and—it still is. By looking at the first century ekklesia, we're inspired to pray for courage, not safety, and to speak up when fear says stay quiet.

### CONNECT

When was the last time you did something you'd consider a bold move?

### LEARN

Before watching the video together and discussing the questions provided, we suggest taking a few moments to pray. Here's a simple prayer you can use:

### APPLY

After sharing what stood out from the video, discuss the following questions as a group:

1. Have you ever been positively impacted by a person who was bold in their faith? What happened? If not, why do you think that is?
2. What is your primary pushback to asking God for boldness?
3. If God answered all your prayers, how much would you be the beneficiary versus other people? Does your answer to that question lead you to a conclusion about your prayers? If so, what?
4. Would you be willing to start the next seven days with this prayer? Heavenly Father, give me the courage to speak up when fear tells me to keep my mouth shut. Why or why not?

### BEFORE NEXT TIME

Pray every day: *Heavenly Father, give me the courage to speak up when fear tells me to keep my mouth shut.* Set a reminder on your phone, put it in your calendar, or write it on your mirror—whatever you need to do

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## PRAY

As a group, pray together thanking God for your group and the conversations that were had tonight. Together, out loud, pray: *Heavenly Father, give me the courage to speak up when fear tells me to keep my mouth shut.*