

## ACTS 4:1-4

## DISTURBING DEVELOPMENTS

*The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. <sup>2</sup> They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. <sup>3</sup> They seized Peter and John, and because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. <sup>4</sup> But many who heard the message believed, and the number of men grew to about five thousand.*

1. The Holy Spirit reveals a God very different than our **HUMAN** images.

For some that is disturbing.

- How can we worship a God who acts **DIFFERENTLY** than our assumptions?
- How can we relate to a God who isn't satisfied with being a law-giver/enforcer but instead **EMBODIES** self-sacrificial love?

For some it is an **INDIFFERENT** prospect.

For many though it is the **GATEWAY** to life.

4. God is not deterred by our **SELF-SERVING** rationale.

5. It just might be though, that some of us need to have our **BELIEF SYSTEMS** disturbed! (*Have we become so comfortable with God that we fail to recognize the distance between who we are and who God made us to be?*)