

PARENT GUIDE

Lesson 8.2: Obsession

JOURNEY

WITNESSES

▶ SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 4:1-31

SUMMARY:

Most things people obsess over are trivial and meaningless in the grand scheme of life. But what does it mean to be obsessed with the gospel? Acts 4 begins with Peter and John being arrested for performing miracles and warned to stop preaching in Jesus' name. But did they listen? Of course not! Peter and John responded to the religious leaders' warning by saying it is more important to listen to God than to men.

These men were truly obsessed with Christ. That is the power of the gospel. As witnesses for Christ, we have the truth and so we need to share it with others. And think about how this all started with just two men, Peter and John. Their obsession for spreading the gospel became contagious and affected the entire believing community.

▶ DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Talk to me about the most interesting thing you learned from this week's lesson.
- What is the difference in someone who talks about the gospel and a true disciple maker/mentor?
- What does it look like or feel like to be obsessed with the gospel?
- What would cause someone to obsess over something?
- Tell me your next steps based on what you've learned. How can I help?

▶ CORE VERSE

Acts 4:20

▶ CORE CONCEPTS

I can do nothing but speak of the love of Jesus.

Obsession: A persistent and consuming thought or idea