

Dangerous Prayers: Make Me Bold (Psalm 138:1-3, Acts 4:23-31)

1. On a scale of one to ten how bold are you at sharing your faith? Ten being very bold! Share why you have chosen that number on the scale. What hinders you (if anything) from talking about your faith?
2. Read Acts 4:23-31 (You might find it helpful to read the whole chapter.)
3. V23 How has meeting with other Christians helped to strengthen your faith? What challenges has the fact that we cannot physically meet together this year had for you?
4. Have a look at the Lord's Prayer in Matthew 11:9-13. The believers in Acts 4:24 use the same pattern that Jesus taught us to use. What are the benefits of beginning prayer in this way?
5. V24-28 What attributes of God do the believers call to mind as they pray? Why are these helpful reminders when facing the opposition, they faced? What attributes of God might you include when you pray?
6. V29-31 How do these verses help guide us to pray as we seek to share our faith? How do we rely on the Holy Spirit when we find ourselves with an opportunity to speak about our faith? Share some experiences of times when you have felt God enabled you to speak boldly.
7. We have focused on being bold in sharing our faith but what other areas of life might require us to be bold and make a stand? Why not share together any particular challenges you might be facing and pray together asking for God to fill you with his Holy Spirit and make you bold. Psalm 138:1-3. Pray too for friends and family who do not yet know Jesus.
8. We've come to the end of our Dangerous Prayers Series! Which prayer(s) have you been challenged to pray as a result of what you have learned?

"Your will be done", "Awaken me", "Speak to me", "Search me", "Break my heart", "Teach me patience", "Humble me", "Make me bold".