

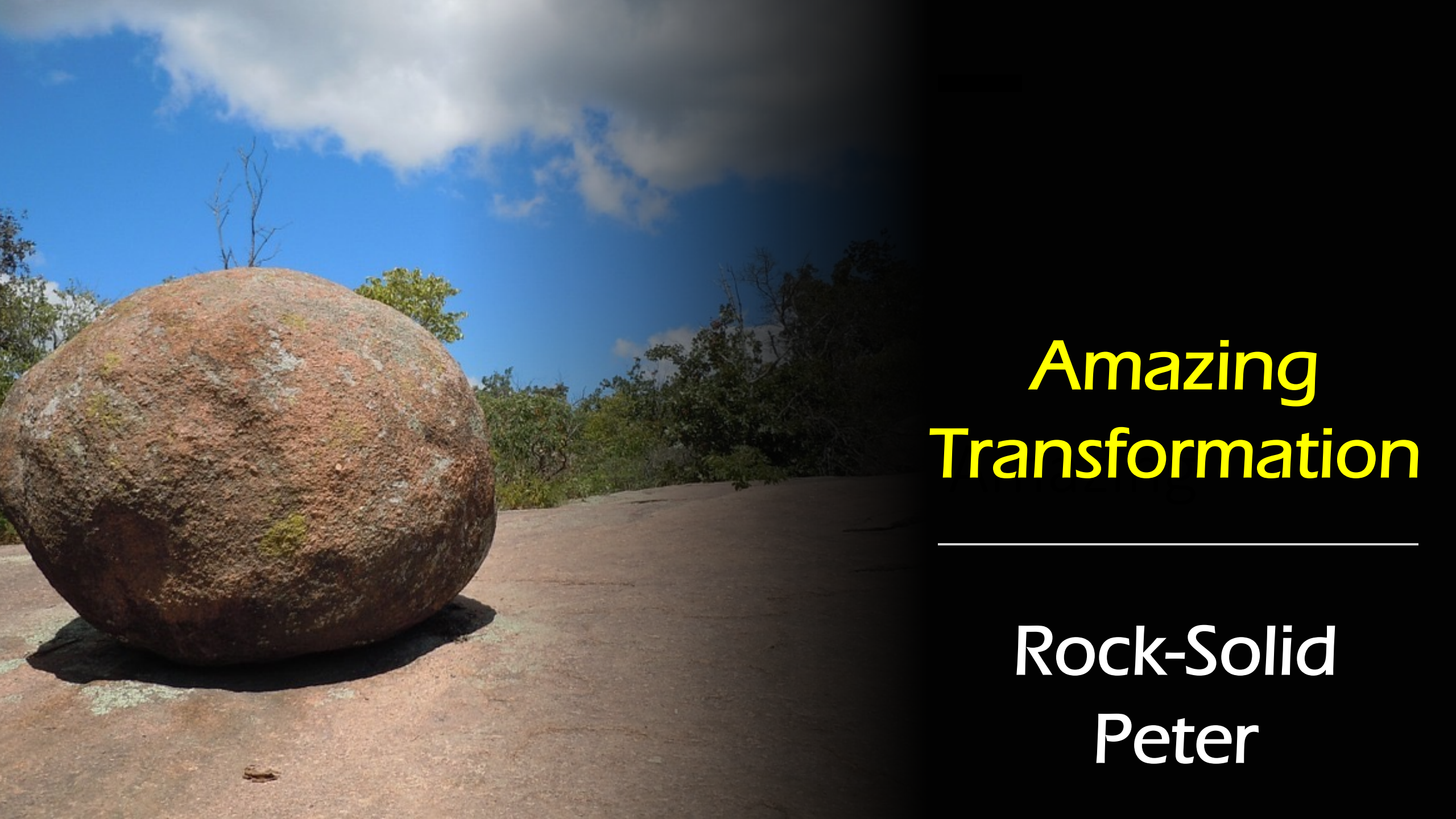


**A LOOK AT
SIMON PETER**

**WEEK 7
BOLDNESS**

Sermon Summary

One result of following Jesus is boldness. Christian boldness is unashamedly, in the name of Jesus, standing up for the broken. It is a marker of every Christian and comes from the very heart of God. It can't be faked – but sadly, it can be replaced. Our world needs us to stand boldly for others in the name of Jesus.



Amazing Transformation

Rock-Solid
Peter

Pentecost

Ascension

Beautiful
Healing

Peter



Peter

After the Ascension

At this time Peter stood up . . .

Acts 1:15

Peter

At Pentecost

But **Peter**, taking his stand with the eleven, raised his voice . . .

Acts 2:14

Peter said to them, “Repent, and each of you be baptized . . .

Acts 2:38

Peter

Beautiful Healing

But Peter said, I do not possess silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you: In the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene – walk!

Acts 3:6

Who is
this
man?

Now as they observed the confidence of Peter and John and understood that they were uneducated and untrained men, **they were amazed**, and began to recognize them as having been with Jesus.

Acts 4:13

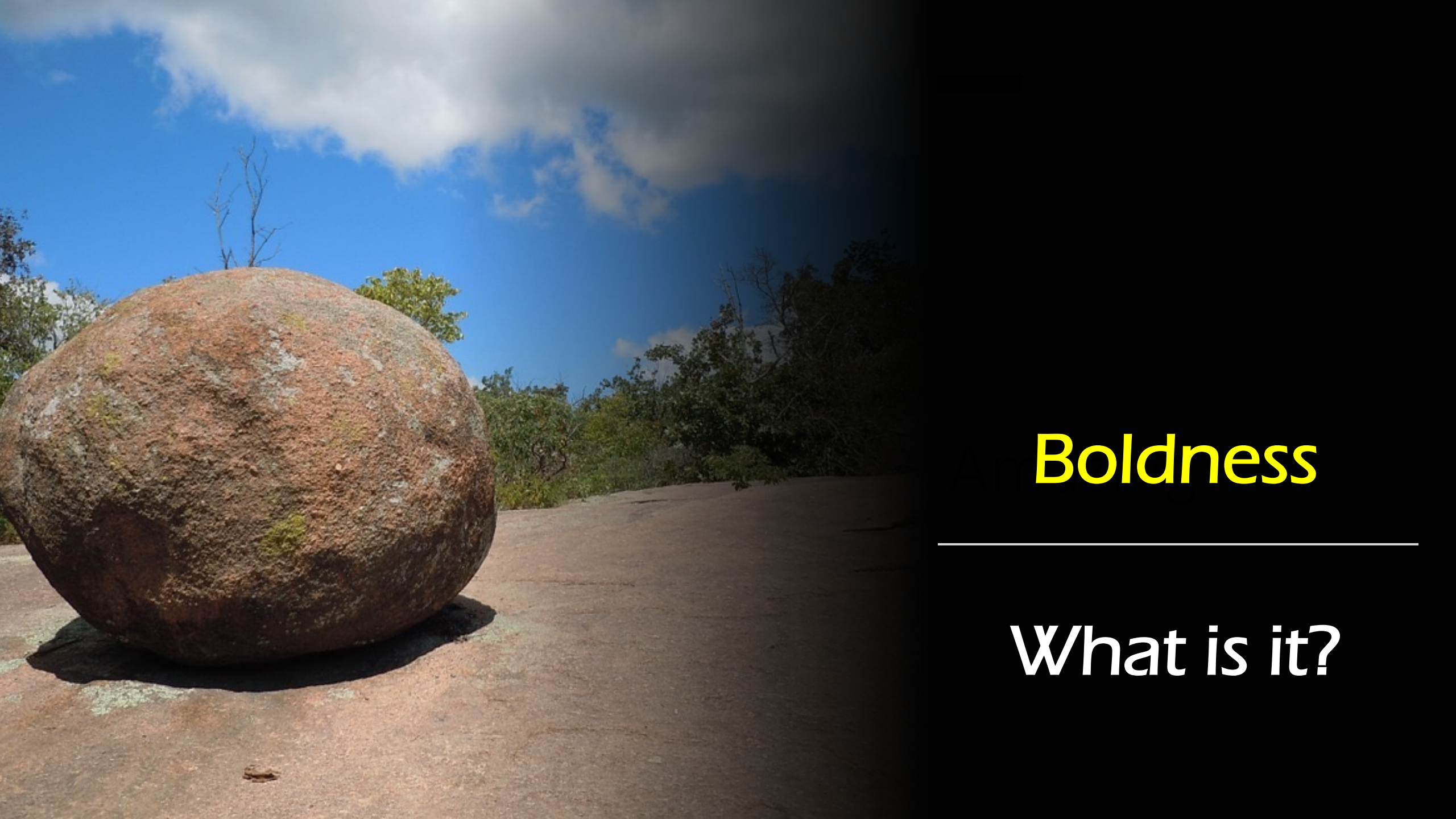
Peter's
boldness
spread

Now, Lord, consider their
threats and enable your
servants to speak your
word with great **boldness**.

Acts 4:29

After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God **boldly**.

Acts 4:31



Boldness

What is it?

BOLD



- Personality Trait
- Rudeness
- Insensitive
- Telling others off
- Standing up for your rights

BOLD

Boldness is the courage to act or speak fearlessly, despite real or imagined dangers.

BOLD

Christian boldness is
unashamedly, in the name of
Jesus, standing up for the
broken.

The next day the rulers, the elders and the teachers of the law met in Jerusalem. Annas the high priest was there, and so were Caiaphas, John, Alexander and others of the high priest's family. They had Peter and John brought before them and began to question them: "By what power or what name did you do this?"

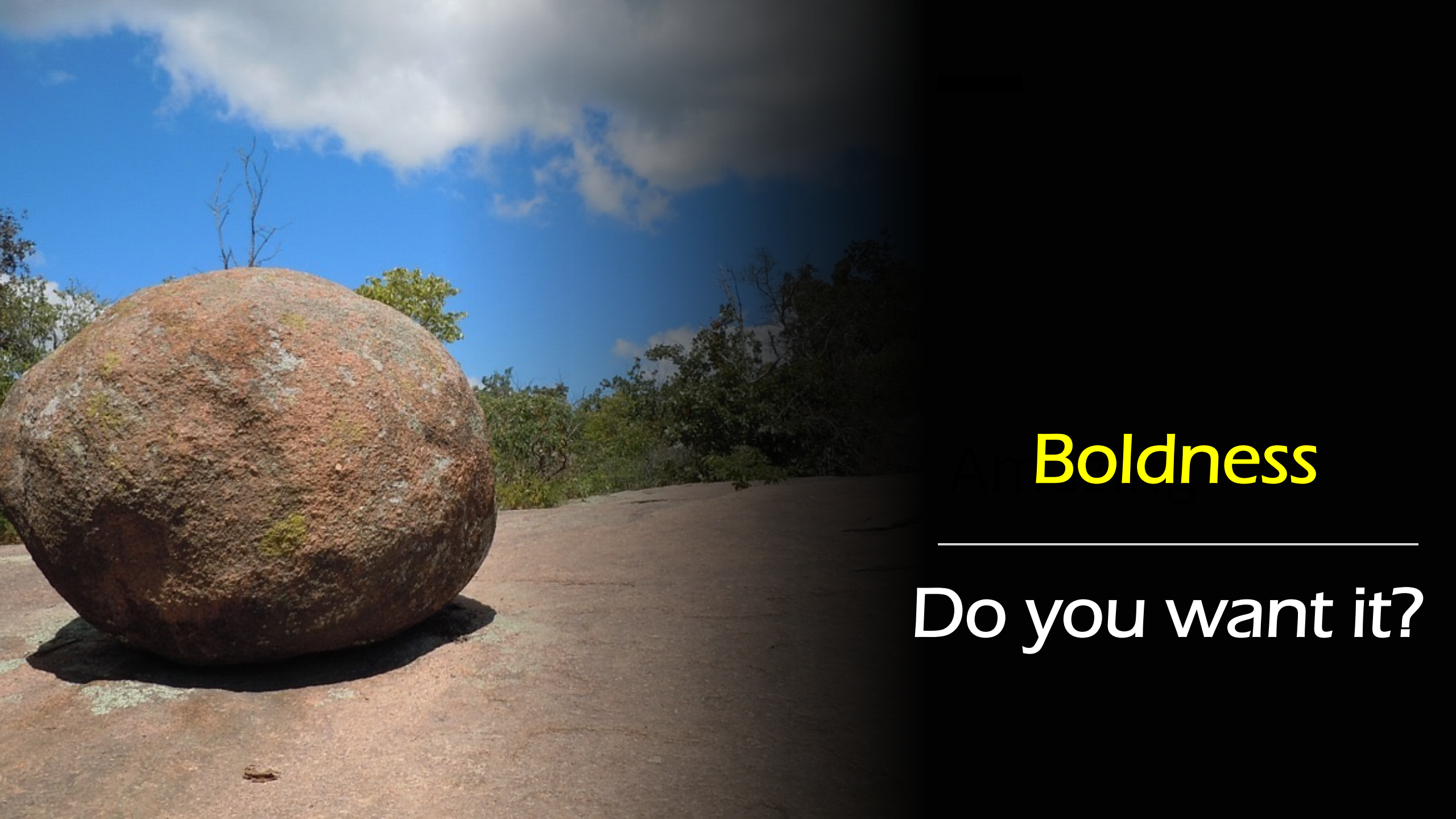
Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them: “Rulers and elders of the people! If we are being called to account today for an **act of kindness** shown to a man who was lame and are being asked how he was healed, then know this, you and all the people of Israel: It is **by the name of Jesus Christ** of Nazareth, whom you

crucified but whom God raised from the dead, that this man stands before you healed.

Acts 4:5-10

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To **act justly** and to **love mercy** and to **walk humbly** with your God.

Micah 6:8



Boldness

Do you want it?

Two Groups of God-Followers

Was being
faithful and
obedient a
high
priority?

Group A

YES!

Group B

YES!

Two Groups of God-Followers

What was
their
purpose?

Group A

To Keep
Status Quo

To Wait on
God

Group B

To Show the
Love of God
to All

To follow
God

Two Groups of God-Followers

What was
the basis of
their faith?

Group A

What God
had done

Group B

What God
was doing

Two Groups of God-Followers

What
actions did
their faith
inspire?

Group A

Threats to
the faith
had to be
controlled.

Group B

They risked
everything
based upon
their faith.

Two Groups of God-Followers

What was
their
trademark?

Group A

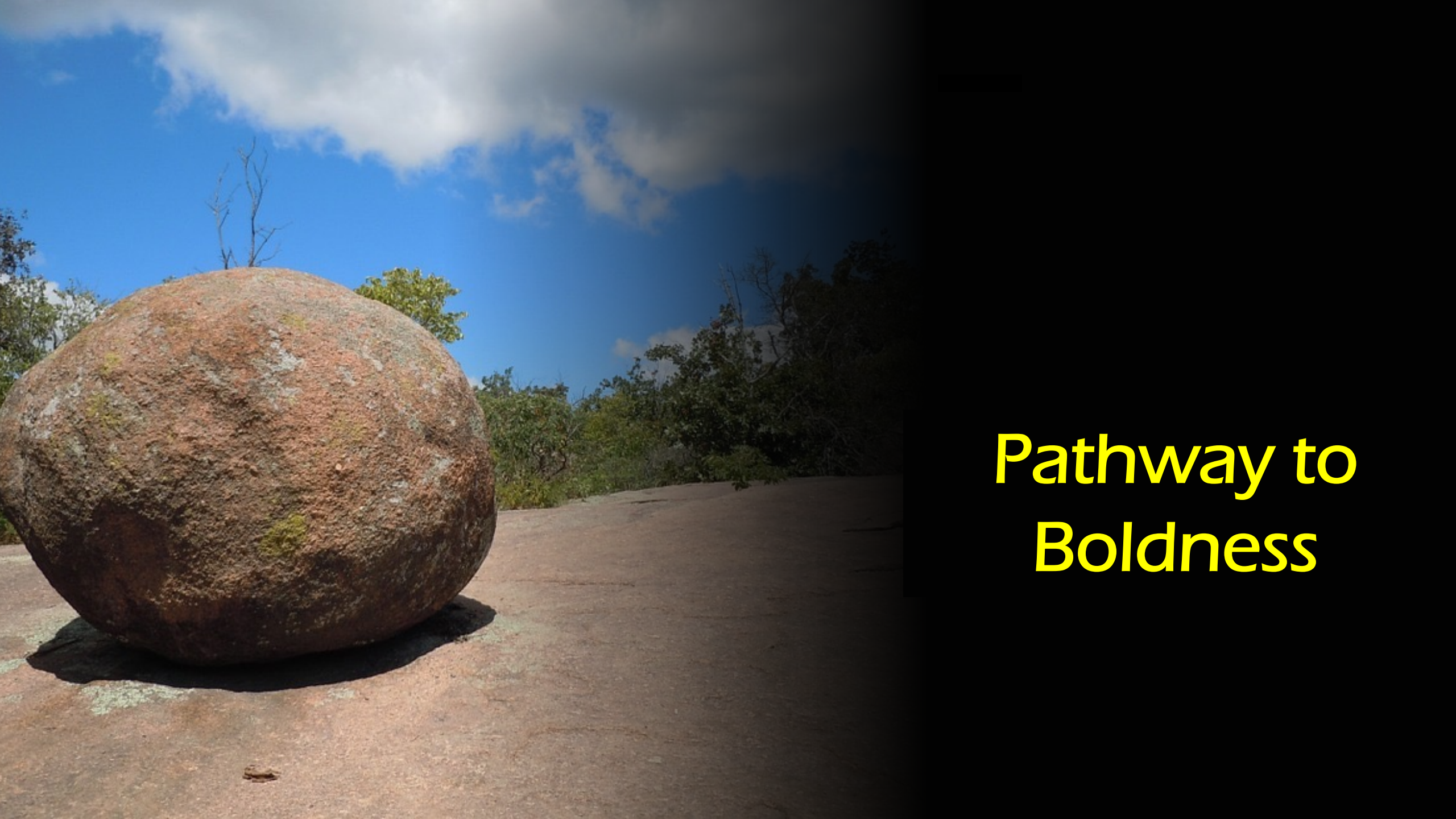
Definitive
Answers

Group B

Power
Hope
Boldness

Following Jesus requires one to have a **mEEK** heart toward God while at the same time taking a **bold** stance, on behalf of others, against evil.

A deceitful counterfeit occurs when one assumes a **bold** stance in one's knowledge of God and a **weak** heart for helping others - often assuming they are evil.



**Pathway to
Boldness**

Pathway to Boldness

Conviction

Acts 4:10

Pathway to Boldness

Urgency

Acts 4:12

Conviction

Pathway to Boldness

The Broken

Acts 4:8, 9

Urgency

Conviction

Pathway to
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Acts 4:19-20

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