

Acts 5:42

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

Analysis

Daily, tireless witness 'in the temple, and in every house' shows the early church's aggressive evangelism utilizing all available venues. The dual message of 'teaching and preaching Jesus Christ' combines instruction for believers and proclamation for unbelievers. Their refusal to 'cease' despite opposition demonstrates commitment unto death.

Historical Context

This relentless activity occurred in Jerusalem under ongoing Sanhedrin hostility. Public temple teaching reached crowds while house-to-house ministry built intimate community, establishing a pattern of both large and small group ministry.

Related Passages

1 John 4:8 — God is love

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

Study Questions

1. How can contemporary churches balance public proclamation with personal, home-based ministry?

2. What would it look like for believers today to 'cease not' in teaching and preaching Christ?

Interlinear Text

παῖσάν	τε	ἡμέραν	ἐν	τῷ	ἱερῷ	καὶ	κατ'	οἶκον
G3956	And	daily	in	G3588	the temple	and	in every	house
	G5037	G2250	G1722		G2411	G2532	G2596	G3624
οὐκ	ἐπαύοντο	διδάσκοντες	καὶ	εὐαγγελιζόμενοι	Ἰησοῦν			
not	they ceased	to teach	and	preach	Jesus			
G3756	G3973	G1321	G2532	G2097	G2424			
τὸν	Χριστόν							
G3588	Christ							
	G5547							

Additional Cross-References

Acts 2:46 (Temple): And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

Acts 20:20 (Parallel theme): And how I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publickly, and from house to house,

2 Timothy 4:2 (Parallel theme): Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

Acts 8:35 (References Jesus): Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus.

Luke 21:37 (Temple): And in the day time he was teaching in the temple; and at night he went out, and abode in the mount that is called the mount of Olives.

Acts 17:3 (References Jesus): Opening and alleging, that Christ must needs have suffered, and risen again from the dead; and that this Jesus, whom I preach unto you, is Christ.

Acts 9:20 (References Christ): And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

Acts 4:29 (Parallel theme): And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word,

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