

Awe-stretched
Acts 4:23-31
September 19, 2021
Next Steps

OPENING PRAYER:

Almighty God, sometimes the difficulties and burdens of our lives cause us to doubt your goodness. We are an anxious people, often grasping to trust in your promise to work all things for good. Increase our faith and grant us your peace, that our lives will demonstrate our trust in you. We ask this with confidence, knowing that we are your beloved children. Amen

BREAKING THE ICE:

- What did you agree or disagree with in the sermon this week?
- Where did you see God this week?
- What bold, audacious move do you really really really want to make?

WRESTLING WITH THE WORD:

Read Acts 4:23-31.

- What jumps out at you in this scripture?
- Why do you believe the disciples began their prayer by remembering God's authority?
- What do you learn about the Holy Spirit from this passage?
- What does this prayer teach you on how to live in times of crisis?

NEXT STEPS:

- What would make your faith bold and audacious? What action steps will you take?
- How will you (do you) incorporate prayer into your daily life? Are there any new ways you can add prayer into your life?

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK:

Generous God,
here are our gifts of time;
here are our gifts of talents;
here are our gifts of money;
building stones for your kingdom,
awaiting shaping and placing
within your loving purpose. Amen.
—Rev. Dr. Derek Browning