Sermon-based Discussion Questions

"Signs & Wonders" from 11/15/2020 Acts 5:12-16

<u>SPOILER ALERT</u>: You may not want to read these until AFTER you have heard the sermon.

- 1. What comes to your mind when you hear the words "signs and wonders"? Share about one of your favorite miraculous stories from the Bible.
- 2. According to Acts 5:12-16, what kinds of things were going on in the life of the early church? How does this compare with what's going on in the life of E-Free Bemidji? How might we explain the differences between then and now?
- 3. Why do you think God chose to use signs and wonders in the early church? How do you think God may or may not be using signs and wonders in the world today? See Acts 3:16, 14:3, and Hebrews 13:8. What other Scriptures could guide us here?
- 4. In your opinion, how important is it for God to work in miraculous ways? Explain. How might it change our Christian faith and practice if God never performed any signs and wonders?
- 5. Why do you think that signs and wonders seem to be far less common in modern times? What might be some reasons why God chooses not to answer our prayers for supernatural healing or other miracles? Consider Genesis 50:20, James 5:11, and 2 Corinthians 1:3-5, 12:7b-10.
- 6. What is one sign or wonder that you would love to see God perform today? Let's humbly pray for this together, remembering also to pray "Thy will be done."