FIGHTING GOD

Main Text: Acts 5:26–42
Key Verse: Acts 5:39 — “You may even find yourselves fighting against God!”

Main Thought: Sometimes the very thing we resist may be something God is using to help, change, or direct us. We must learn to surrender to God's will rather than fight against Him.

1. DON'T FIGHT WHAT YOU CAN'T DISCERN

Acts 5:38–39 | Job 40:1–2

> The greatest danger isn't just missing God; it's fighting what God is doing.
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> We can misjudge our pain, closed doors, circumstances, and direction.
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> Like Job, we may argue with God when we don't understand His plan.
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> **Key Truth:** Stop demanding that you understand everything and learn to trust and submit to God.

Ask Yourself: Am I resisting something God may be using in my life?

2. IF GOD ISN'T IN IT, IT WILL FAIL

Acts 5:38 | Daniel 2:21

> Human ambition and good intentions don't automatically mean God is leading.
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> Not everything that starts is meant to last.
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> What God doesn't establish, time will expose.
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> Seek God's direction before investing your life in a plan, relationship, or ministry.

Key Truth: Don't waste your life building what God never called you to build.

3. YOU CAN'T STOP WHAT GOD IS IN

Acts 5:39–42 | Exodus 1:12

The apostles faced criticism, threats, imprisonment, and persecution, but they continued preaching Jesus.

Pharaoh tried to suppress Israel, but God's people continued to multiply.

People may oppose God's work, but they cannot overthrow His ultimate purposes.

When God is the Author, people don't get to write the ending.

Key Truth: When God establishes His purpose, opposition does not have the final word.

PERSONAL APPLICATION

- ✓ Am I fighting God's direction because I don't understand it?
- ✓ Am I pursuing something God has not called me to pursue?
- ✓ Am I trusting God when people or circumstances oppose me?