

# Acts 4.32-5.11

*Focus: to let sacrificial love be our mark, over and against greed, celebrity, and deceit.*

## Resources:

Here are the most helpful online resources I ran across for this passage:

<http://www.desiringgod.org/sermons/be-like-barnabas-not-like-ananias>

<https://bible.org/seriespage/8-profession-and-possession-acts-432-511>

## Discussion:

- Read 4.32-36
- Discuss the Love on display in the church here. How does this strike you? Are you drawn to it? Convicted by it?
- Have you ever witnessed this kind of unity? Share stories of generosity and sacrifice for one another.
- What keeps us from reaching this level of Sacrificial Love where there are no needy among us?

5.1-11

- What did Annanias and Saphira do wrong?
- What were the motivations that likely underlay their choice?
- Does this passage teach that we should have no private property? What does it teach us about our attitude towards property as Believers in the church? What hinders that?
- List the attributes of God that come into play in this passage.
- Why does this seemingly small thing bring such severe judgment?
- What is the “takeaway” for you from this passage? What is God calling you to address in the way you love the church in relation to your money, stuff and time?