

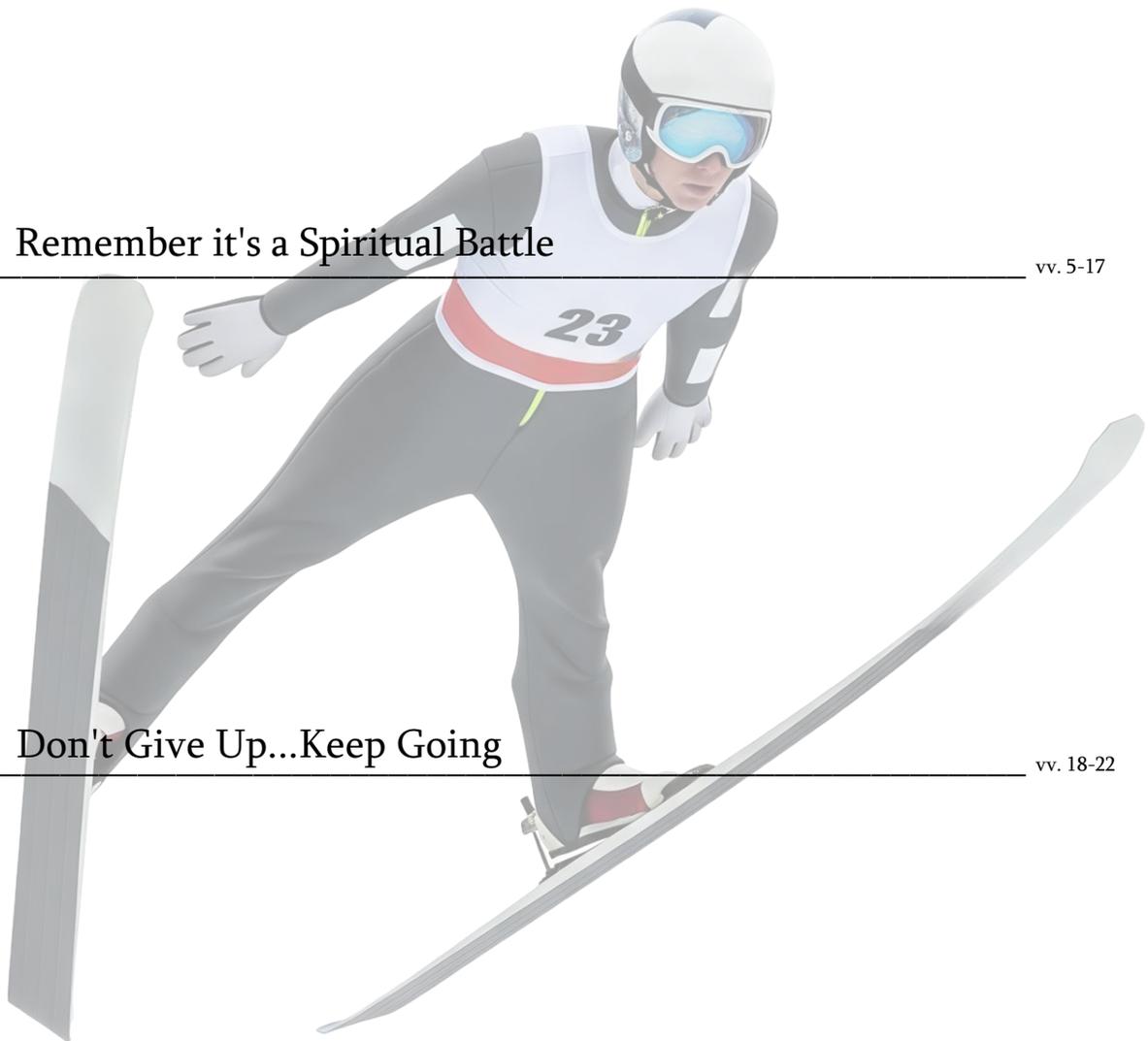
## No Medal Round

“ What to Do When Your Outreach Doesn't Work ”

**1.** Recognize Rejection is Part of the Process vv. 1-4

**2.** Remember it's a Spiritual Battle vv. 5-17

**3.** Don't Give Up...Keep Going vv. 18-22



# Grow Group Discussion Questions

A grow group is 8-16 people who get together weekly to study God's word and the previous Sunday's message. There is a time of discussion, support, encouragement, and learning how the message applies to daily life. **PCC uses the ESV (English Standard Version).**

## HOW DO I JOIN A GROUP?

To learn more or join a group, visit [pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/](http://pacificcoastchurch.org/gg/) or sign up at the patio Info Kiosk.

### Point #1

- Read Acts 4:1-4. Why is it important to recognize both positive and negative responses to the Gospel?
- How does Point #1 redefine success? In what way does this help you in your outreach efforts? Be specific.

### Point #2

- Read Acts 4:5-17. How was this interaction reminiscent of Jesus and the religious leaders? Be specific.
- What does this highlight about Point #2? Why is this important to remember? How does this relieve pressure?

### Point #3

- Read Acts 4:18-22. What decision did John and Peter have to make? How does this reflect Point #3?
- How do you typically respond to resistance against Jesus? How does Point #3 encourage you this Easter?

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## Daily Devotions

These are provided for mid-week personal spiritual growth. Prayerfully writing out your answers will help you experience real life transformation as you dig deeper into the spiritual truths of God's word and today's message. A downloadable PDF of this document is also available each week at [pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons](http://pacificcoastchurch.org/sermons).

### **MONDAY // Read Acts 4:1-4, John 15:18-20, Luke 9:1-6**

- Given this is the first time Peter faced rejection when sharing the Gospel, what is implied about success?
- How does Jesus also demonstrate this truth? Why is this important for you to remember? (i.e., motivation)
- In what way have you been outreach oriented this past month? Why? What will change this week?

### **TUESDAY // Read Acts 4:1-4, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

- Explain the parable of the soil in terms of the Gospel. Why weren't they all successful? (i.e., heart)
- In what way does the parable highlight what was taking place with Peter and John? Be specific.
- Given only one of four seeds ends up being truly saved, how does this encourage you to up your outreach?

### **WEDNESDAY // Read Acts 4:5-14, Mark 11:15-19, 14:1-2**

- In what way would Peter and John's conflict have been a flashback for these religious leaders? Be specific.
- What were the political ramifications the leaders were facing? What does this reveal about their hearts?
- What does this imply about the different responses to the Gospel? How does this encourage you?

### **THURSDAY // Read Acts 4:5-17, John 6:44, 16:7-11, Ephesians 6:12**

- In what ways does Peter and John's encounter with religious leaders reflect a spiritual battle? (vv. 8 & 14)
- How did their conversation also reflect this truth? Be specific. How can this easily be forgotten today?
- Why is this important to remember for your own outreach efforts? How does this help relieve any pressure?

### **FRIDAY // Read Acts 4:18-22, Matthew 28:19, Acts 1:8, 1 Peter 3:13-15**

- How was John and Peter fulfilling the great commission? What did the responses have to do with it?
- Why is this important to remember when it comes to Christians today and fulfilling the great commission?
- How do you see resistance to the Gospel shutting Christians down today? How will you avoid this trap?

### **SATURDAY // Read Acts 4:18-22, 2 Corinthians 11:24-26, 2 Timothy 4:7**

- What decision did Peter and John have to make when it came to sharing the Gospel? Why?
- How did Paul demonstrate this same attitude and perspective regarding his outreach efforts?
- How does this encourage you to be more intentional? What steps will you take during this Easter season?

**MEDITATION VERSE:** <sup>13</sup>Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. And they recognized that they had been with Jesus. **Acts 4:13**