

## He's Looking Through You

### What Do I Do Now? (part 7)

**God's your only audience; impress him.**

Matthew 6:1 WSV



36Barnabas (which means **Son of Encouragement**), 37sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.

1Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. 2With his wife's full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles' feet.

3Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have **lied to the Holy Spirit** and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? 4**Didn't it belong to you** before it was sold? And after it was sold, **wasn't the money at your disposal?** What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied to men but to God."

5When Ananias heard this, he fell down and died. And great fear seized all who heard what had happened. 6Then the young men came forward, wrapped up his body, and carried him out and buried him.

7About three hours later his wife came in, not knowing what had happened. 8Peter asked her, "Tell me, is this the price you and Ananias got for the land?" "Yes," she said, "that is the price."

9Peter said to her, "**How could you agree to test the Spirit of the Lord?** Look! The feet of the men who buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out also." 10At that moment she fell down at his feet and died. Then the young men came in and, finding her dead, carried her out and buried her beside her husband.

11Great fear seized the whole church and all who heard about these events.  
Acts 4:36-5:11 NIV

## No Spin about Who I Am

### ❖ Let's Get Serious with God

Major "Let's **get serious** with God" chats spread through the whole church.

Acts 5:11 WSV

When push came to shove they **cared more for human approval** than for God's glory.

John 12:43 Msg

Be especially careful when you are trying to be good so that you **don't make a performance out of it**. It might be good theater, but the God who made you won't be applauding. When you do something for someone else, don't call attention to yourself. ... **don't think about how it looks**.

Matthew 6:1-3 Msg

### ❖ Take Charge of My Money

**You must each decide** in your heart how much to give. And **don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure**. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."

2 Corinthians 9:7 NLT

**Decide** on the figure and **then enjoy** giving it away.

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### ❖ Make the Holy Spirit in Me Happy

Do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit **by the way you live**. ...

**Don't break his heart**. His Holy Spirit ... **is the most intimate part of your life**, making you fit for himself.

Ephesians 4:30 NLT Msg

The Spirit that God made to live in us **wants us for himself alone**. ...

He **yearns** over us.

James 4:5 NCV Amp

Let's get serious with God.

Acts 5:11 WSV

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NIRV - New International Readers' Version

CEV - Contemporary English Version

CPV - Cotton Patch Version

GWV - God's Word Version

NLT - New Living Translation

MSG - The Message

NCV - New Century Version

Amp - Amplified Bible

WSV - Word on the Street Version