

SERMON NOTES AM

ANANIAS AND SAPPHIRA

But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession. And he kept back part of the proceeds, his wife also being aware of it, and brought a certain part and laid it at the apostles' feet. (Acts 5:1-2)

Acts 5 (p 1257)

The New Testament church was in its infancy as disciples increased

- Three thousand baptized *Acts 3*
- Early church busy *Acts 2:42-47*
- Miracles done *Acts 3*
- Resistance began *Acts 4:3*
- Preaching forbidden *Acts 4:18-19*
- Courage of early saints *Acts 4:31*
- Meeting needs of saints *Acts 4:32-37*

Who were Ananias & Sapphira?

They were _____ *Acts 4:32*

The possessed some _____ *Acts 5:1,3* Not under obligation to sell

Did they want to be like others? *Acts 4:34-35*

They came at different times Ananias: v2 Sapphira: v7 (_____ hours later)

The Wrath Of God

Peter knew of their deceit by inspiration!

- ✓ He confronts Ananias directly (vv3-4) Ananias dies _____
- ✓ He gives Sapphira a chance to come clean She _____ and is struck dead

Impact on the people *Acts 5:5-6*

Why did God strike them dead immediately?

_____ and _____ *Leviticus 10:1-2 (p 121)*

_____ *Daniel 5:30 (p 1027)*

_____ *Acts 12:21-23 (p 1269)*

And Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD spoke, saying: 'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.'" So Aaron held his peace. (Leviticus 10:3)

1 Samuel 16:7 (p 329) Isaiah 29:15 (p 815) Psalm 94:4-11 (p 685) Jeremiah 23:24 (p 898)

Not Everyone Were Killed Like Ananias/Sapphira

1. _____ lied about Sarah *Genesis 12 & 20 (p 12, 19)*
2. Moses disrespected God *Numbers 20 (p 176)*
3. David sinned with _____ *2 Samuel 11 (p 360)*

Why were they not killed? *Proverbs 16:5 (p 742)*

Luke 12:2-3 (p 1199) 1 Chronicles 28:9 (p 490)