

Dynamic Immanence

Acts 5:1-16

#### Ananias and Sapphira: Acts 5:1-11

#### 1. God is fully active in His community of believers:

- To save, teach, unite, sanctify, and provide (Acts 1-4)
- To judge/deal with sin (Acts 5:1-11)
  - \*Heartbeat: Nothing gets by the Spirit in His Church!
- Judgment shows how serious God takes sin in His Church
  - cf. Leviticus 10:1-3
- Judgment shows God's goodness to protect His Church.

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### 2. God desires/demands that His Church be properly active:

a. Fearing God:



"Behold, the fear of the LORD, that is wisdom" – **Job 28:28** 

"The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever;" – **Psalm 19:9** 



# "The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge;" – **Proverbs 1:7**

"The fear of the LORD is to hate evil;" – **Proverbs 8:13** 



## "The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life," – *Proverbs 14:27*

"Do not let your heart envy sinners, but live in the fear of the LORD always." – **Proverbs 23:17** 

#### F.E.A.R. of the LORD

Faith

Expressed in

Awe-filled obedience and

Reverence



"Remember the wonders He has done, His miracles, and the judgments He pronounced." 1 Chronicles 16:12



#### Ananias and Sapphira: Acts 5:1-11

### 2. God desires/demands that His Church be properly active:

a. Fearing God:

b. Forsaking Sin:



#### Acts 5:12-16

#### 7 Imperfect Tenses – On going past action

- Many signs and wonders were done v.12
- They were all with one accord v.12
- The rest dared not join them v.13
- The people esteemed them highly v.13
- Believers increasingly added v.14
- Multitude gathered from cities v.16
- Sick and tormented were all <u>healed</u> v.16

#### Acts 5:12-16 – Summary Statements

3. God's activity is dynamic in His Church:



#### Conclusion – Acts 5:1-16

# God is Dynamically Immanent!



