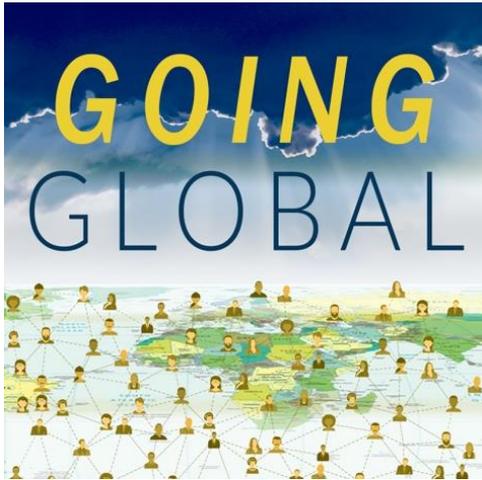


Jesus – a name to be reckoned with



⁵ On the next day their rulers and elders and scribes gathered together in Jerusalem, ⁶ with Annas the high priest and Caiaphas and John and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. ⁷ And when they had set them in the midst, they inquired, “By what power or by what name did you do this?” ⁸ Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers of the people and elders, ⁹ if we are being examined today concerning a good deed done to a crippled man, by what means this man has been healed, ¹⁰ let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. ¹¹ This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. ¹² And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

Acts 4:5-12

Introduction: what’s in a name?
(2:21, 38; 3:6, 16; 4:7, 10, 12, 17, 18, 30)

- 1) “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone”
(Psalm 118:22)
 - Flashback: Jesus said this when “on trial” in the temple (Luke 20:17)
 - Peter now declares it on the basis of God’s resurrection verdict

- 2) Those with nothing to say can’t silence those who have this to say!

APPLICATION

- Certainty
- Boldness
- Boldness in the face of censorship

What are our legal freedoms?

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COFFEE QUESTION

How is the Holy Spirit using this word to empower you to speak?

It Is Well With My Soul

When peace like a river attendeth my way
When sorrow like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot You have taught me to say
It is well it is well with my soul

*It is well with my soul
It is well it is well with my soul*

Though Satan should buffet
Though trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ hath regarded
My helpless estate
And hath shed His own blood
For my soul

*It is well with my soul
It is well it is well with my soul*

My sin O the bliss
Of this glorious thought
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross
And I bear it no more
Praise the Lord
Praise the Lord O my soul

*It is well with my soul
It is well it is well with my soul*