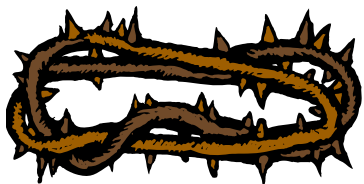


Persecutions Faced By The Apostolic church At Her Infancy (From Acts 1-12)

Bible Reading	Incident Summary	Persecutor	Apostle's Response	Effect on Church
Acts 4:1-31	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Peter and John arrested 2. Threatened Not to talk about Jesus 	Sanhedrin	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replied they should listen to God rather than them 	Prayed for boldness Filled with H/S Preached even boldly
Acts 5:12-42	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. More miracles 2. Apostles imprisoned, but God released them to continue preaching 3. Sanhedrin wanted to kill them, but Gamaliel intervened 4. Beaten and sent off 	Sanhedrin	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Replied they should listen to God rather than them 	Rejoiced that they are counted worthy to suffer shame for Christ
Acts 8:1-8	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. House are entered 2. Man and woman imprison for being Christian 	Paul	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apostles remained in Jerusalem 	Many moved out and preached the Gospel, eventually to Samaria
Acts 12:24	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Herod started to harass the church 2. James killed 3. Peter imprisoned, but God saved him 	Herod	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Peter was waiting death with no fear 	Church prayed for Peter continuously and thank God that he saved Peter



“If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that I said to you, ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ If they persecuted Me, they will also persecute you. If they kept My word, they will keep yours also. But all these things they will do to you for My name’s sake, because they do not know Him who sent Me. If I had not come and spoken to them, they would have no sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin. He who hates Me hates My Father also.” – Jesus (John 15:18-23)