

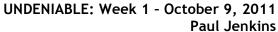
UNDENIABLE: Week 1 - October 9, 2011
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Acts 4:13-14

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## Undeniable acts for God come from our undeniable association with God.

- 1. God wants to do undeniable acts through us (v. 14)
  - a. We spend a lot of time wondering about God
  - b. More specifically, we wonder about us and God
  - c. We wonder if we know Him
  - d. We wonder if we hear Him
  - e. We wonder if He wants to use us
  - f. We wonder a lot about whether things that happen in our lives are from Him
  - g. Sometimes I think other people wonder about us and God, too
  - h. But God wants to do something so undeniable through us that others would be left like not being able to wonder
  - i. The men in the Sanhedrin couldn't deny this act
    - i. The proof shocked them
    - ii. The proof shut them up
  - j. This is what happens when something is undeniable
  - k. Literally means "plainly true" and "incontestable"
  - l. When something is undeniable, there's nothing left to say
  - m. Let me show you what I mean with 2 examples: one that is undeniable and one that isn't
    - i. "The Waiting Place" page 210 UNDENIABLE ACT
    - ii. Wheelchair event from Jesus Culture Awakening DENIABLE ACT
  - n. The conclusion I draw from these 2 acts is that I am even more hungry to be a part of these undeniable stories of God moving through me on behalf of others
    - i. They won't always be flashy
    - ii. I was a lumberjack on Thursday but the firewood for a hurting woman was an undeniable act of God for her, even if she doesn't know it was God
  - o. Over the next few weeks, we'll dive into some more in-depth teaching about some things that cannot be denied, and we'll learn that when these truths are present in our lives, we'll begin to be used in undeniable ways that point this county to Christ.
  - p. But for now, let's just keep this simple and learn one more point that will complete the main idea for today.
- 2. For this to happen, we must have an undeniable association with Him (v. 13)
  - a. Before we get into this too far, let's just acknowledge that we all begin to look like who we hang around
    - i. I wasn't a Gamecock fan until I met Wendy and moved to Columbia
    - ii. Being around all that garnet and black changed me
    - iii. Children who are the spittin' image of their parents
    - iv. Pets who look like their owners [PRESENTATION]
  - b. If we're honest, sometimes we don't like who we resemble
    - i. Me and dad at the men's meeting sitting the same way
    - ii. Peter denying his association with Jesus (Mark 14)



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- c. We can't deny our association with Jesus and expect the undeniable to occur
- d. We deny because we're unsure, ashamed, embarrassed, scared
- e. But when we have seen and heard when we know that's when we stand undeniably with Jesus!
  - i. Peter had experienced Jesus' death, resurrection, and forgiveness
  - ii. Peter had experienced the Holy Spirit's power
  - iii. He now stood courageously
  - iv. 1 John 1:1 says we can do the same

APPLICATION: One simple, cut-us-to-the-core question: Are we undeniably with Jesus?

In the weeks to come, we'll learn about some things that are undeniable and will help us live undeniably for Him...

- Darkness to light
- Death to life
- Debt to liberty
- Desperation to longings fulfilled

But for now, perhaps we should simply evaluate where we stand in light of **John 15:5** - is our association with Jesus leading to what is deniable or undeniable? Are you in Him or apart from Him?

For now, no other question matters.