

*Living in the
Name of Jesus*

Acts 4:1-22



Living in the Name of Jesus

A Violation of Tradition or Truth?

Jesus is the _____

Let _____ be seen _____ You

¹While Peter and John were speaking to the people, they were confronted by the priests, the captain of the Temple guard, and some of the Sadducees. ²These leaders were very disturbed that Peter and John were teaching the people that through Jesus there is a resurrection of the dead.

Acts 4:1, 2 ^{NLT}

²³That same day the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him with a question. ²⁴"Teacher," they said, "Moses told us that if a man dies without having children, his brother must marry the widow and have children for him.

Matthew 22:23, 24 ^{NIV}

²⁵Now there were seven brothers among us. The first one married and died, and since he had no children, he left his wife to his brother. ²⁶The same thing happened to the second and third brother, right on down to the seventh. ²⁷Finally, the woman died. ²⁸Now then, at the resurrection, whose wife will she be of the seven, since all of them were married to her?"

Matthew 22:25- 28 ^{NIV}

*²⁹Jesus replied,
"You are in error because you do not
know the Scriptures or the power of God.
³⁰At the resurrection people will neither marry
nor be given in marriage; they will be like
the angels in heaven.*

Matthew 22:29, 30 ^{NIV}

*³¹But about the resurrection of the dead—
have you not read what God said to you,
³²'I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac,
and the God of Jacob'? He is not the God
of the dead but of the living." ³³When the crowds
heard this, they were astonished at his teaching.*

Matthew 22:31-33 ^{NIV}

*³They arrested them and,
since it was already evening,
put them in jail until morning.*

*⁴But many of the people who heard
their message believed it, so the number
of believers now totaled about 5,000 men,
not counting women and children.*

Acts 4:3, 4 ^{NLT}

⁵The next day the council of all the rulers and elders and teachers of religious law met in Jerusalem. ⁶Annas the high priest was there, along with Caiaphas, John, Alexander, and other relatives of the high priest.

⁷They brought in the two disciples and demanded, “By what power, or in whose name, have you done this?”

Acts 4:5-7 ^{NLT}



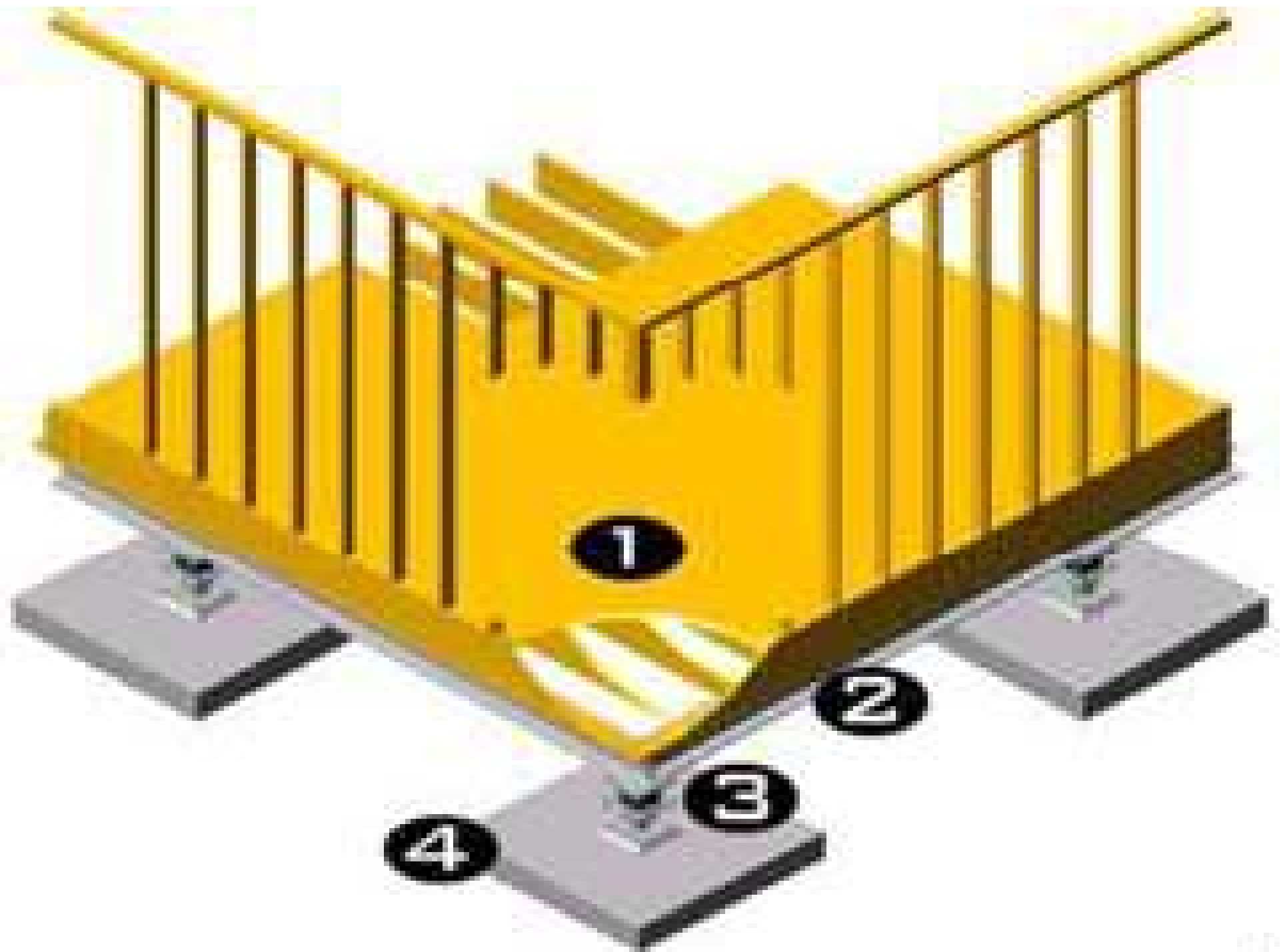


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Jesus is the *Foundation*

Let _____ be seen _____ You



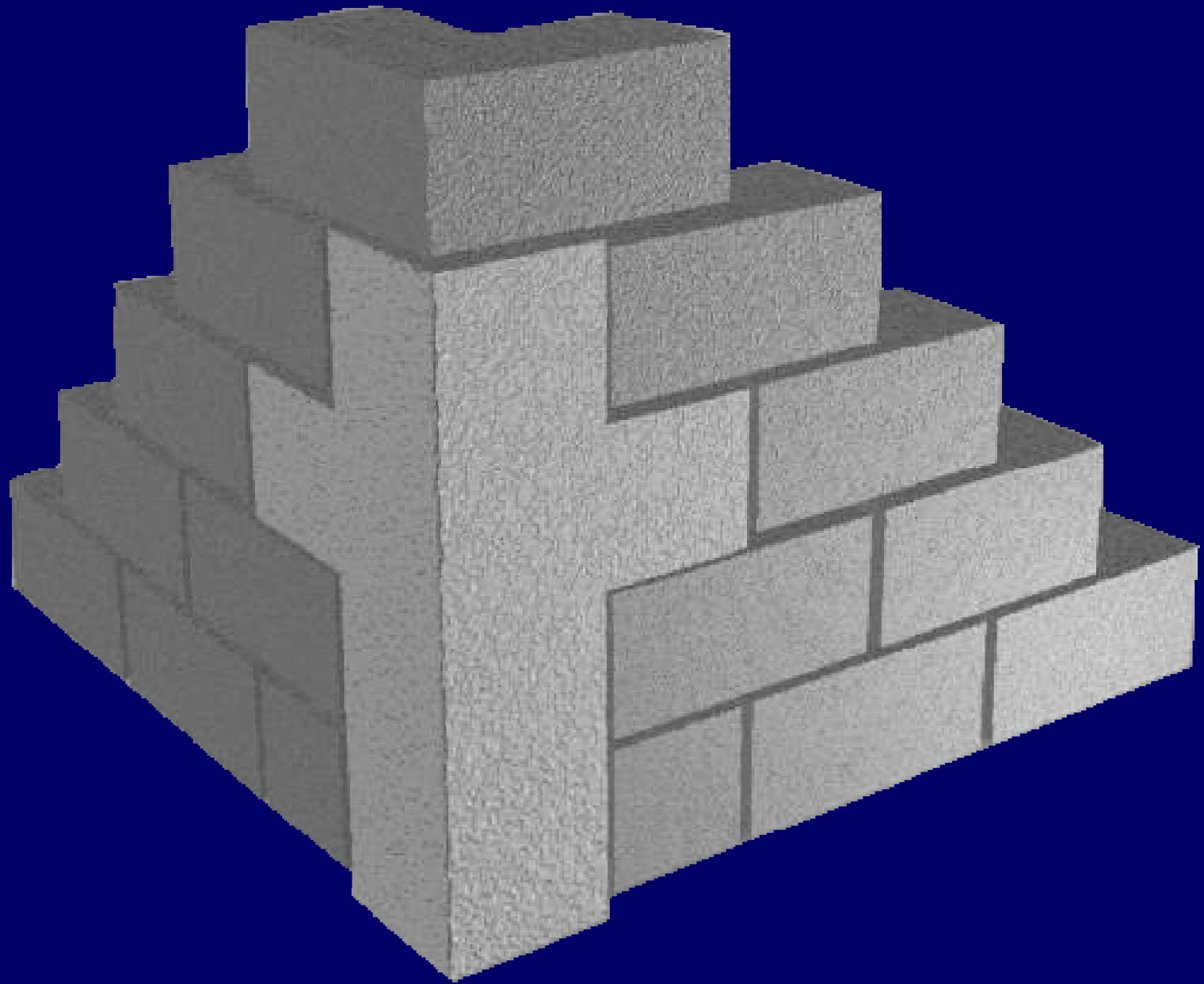
*⁸Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit,
said to them, “Rulers and elders of our people,
⁹are we being questioned today because we’ve
done a good deed for a crippled man?
Do you want to know how he was healed?
¹⁰Let me clearly state to all of you and to all
the people of Israel that he was healed by the
powerful name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene,
the man you crucified but whom God
raised from the dead.*

Acts 4:8-10^{NLT}

¹¹For Jesus is the one referred to in the Scriptures, where it says, 'The stone that you builders rejected has now become the cornerstone.'

¹²There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved."

Acts 4:11, 12 ^{NLT}



³⁰What does all this mean?

Even though the Gentiles were not trying to follow God's standards, they were made right with God. And it was by faith that this took place. ³¹But the people of Israel, who tried so hard to get right with God by keeping the law, never succeeded.

Romans 9:30, 31 ^{NLT}

³²Why not? Because they were trying to get right with God by keeping the law instead of by trusting in him. They stumbled over the great rock in their path. ³³God warned them of this in the Scriptures when he said, “I am placing a stone in Jerusalem that makes people stumble, a rock that makes them fall. But anyone who trusts in him will never be disgraced.”

Romans 9:32, 33 ^{NLT}

Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God. Don't just say to each other, 'We're safe, for we are descendants of Abraham.'

That means nothing, for I tell you, God can create children of Abraham from these very stones.

Luke 3:8 ^{NLT}

*Satan, who is the god of this world,
has blinded the minds of those who don't believe.*

*They are unable to see the glorious light
of the Good News. They don't understand
this message about the glory of Christ,
who is the exact likeness of God.*

2 Corinthians 4:4 ^{NLT}

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Let Jesus be seen Through You

¹³The members of the council were amazed when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, for they could see that they were ordinary men with no special training in the Scriptures. They also recognized them as men who had been with Jesus. ¹⁴But since they could see the man who had been healed standing right there among them, there was nothing the council could say.

Acts 4:13, 14 ^{NLT}

¹⁵So they ordered Peter and John out of the council chamber and conferred among themselves. ¹⁶“What should we do with these men?” they asked each other. “We can’t deny that they have performed a miraculous sign, and everybody in Jerusalem knows about it. ¹⁷But to keep them from spreading their propaganda any further, we must warn them not to speak to anyone in Jesus’ name again.”

Acts 4:5-17 ^{NLT}

¹⁸So they called the apostles back in and commanded them never again to speak or teach in the name of Jesus.

¹⁹But Peter and John replied, “Do you think God wants us to obey you rather than him? ²⁰We cannot stop telling about everything we have seen and heard.”

Acts 4:18, 19 ^{NLT}

*²¹The council then threatened them further,
but they finally let them go because they didn't
know how to punish them without starting a riot.*

*For everyone was praising God ²²for this
miraculous sign—the healing of a man who
had been lame for more than forty years.*

Acts 4:21, 22 ^{NLT}

Just a few More Things

Walk in the Light

Obey God's _____

_____ Each Other

Don't Love the _____

Stay in the _____

Seek _____ with God

Continue to _____

⁵This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is light, and there is no darkness in him at all. ⁶So we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the truth.

⁷But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.

1 John 1:5-7^{NLT}

Just a few More Things

Walk in the Light

Obey God's Commands

_____ Each Other

Don't Love the _____

_____ in the _____

Seek _____ with God

Continue to _____

*³And we can be sure that we know him
if we obey his commandments.*

*⁴If someone claims, “I know God” but doesn’t
obey God’s commandments, that person is a liar
and is not living in the truth. ⁵But those who obey
God’s word truly show how completely they
love him. That is how we know we are living in him.*

*⁶Those who say they live in God should live their
lives as Jesus did.*

1 John 2:3-6 ^{NLT}

Just a few More Things

Walk in the Light
Obey God's Commands

Love Each Other

Don't Love the _____

_____ in the _____

Seek _____ with God

Continue to _____

⁹If anyone claims, “I am living in the light,” but hates a Christian brother or sister, that person is still living in darkness. ¹⁰Anyone who loves another brother or sister is living in the light and does not cause others to stumble. ¹¹But anyone who hates another brother or sister is still living and walking in darkness. Such a person does not know the way to go, having been blinded by the darkness.

1 John 2:9-11 ^{NLT}

Just a few More Things

Walk in the Light
Obey God's Commands

Love Each Other

Don't Love the *World*

_____ in the _____

Seek _____ with God

Continue to _____

¹⁵Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. ¹⁶For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father, but are from this world. ¹⁷And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever.

1 John 2:15-17^{NLT}

Just a few More Things

Walk in the Light
Obey God's Commands

Love Each Other

Don't Love the World

Stay in the Body

Seek _____ with God

Continue to _____

¹⁸Dear children, the last hour is here.

*You have heard that the Antichrist is coming,
and already many such antichrists have appeared.*

From this we know that the last hour has come.

*¹⁹These people left our churches, but they never
really belonged with us; otherwise they would
have stayed with us. When they left, it proved
that they did not belong with us.*

1 John 2:18, 19^{NLT}

Just a few More Things

Walk in the Light
Obey God's Commands
Love Each Other
Don't Love the World
Stay in the Body
Seek *Intimacy* with God
Continue to _____

²⁰But you are not like that, for the Holy One has given you his Spirit, and all of you know the truth. ²¹So I am writing to you not because you don't know the truth but because you know the difference between truth and lies.

1 John 2:20, 21 ^{NLT}

²²And who is a liar?

*Anyone who says that Jesus is not the Christ.
Anyone who denies the Father and the Son is an
antichrist. ²³Anyone who denies the Son doesn't
have the Father, either. But anyone who
acknowledges the Son has
the Father also.*

1 John 2:22, 23 ^{NLT}

24 So you must remain faithful to what you have been taught from the beginning. If you do, you will remain in fellowship with the Son and with the Father. 25 And in this fellowship we enjoy the eternal life he promised us. 26 I am writing these things to warn you about those who want to lead you astray.

1 John 2:24- 26 ^{NLT}

*27But you have received the Holy Spirit,
and he lives within you, so you don't need
anyone to teach you what is true. For the Spirit
teaches you everything you need to know, and what
he teaches is true—it is not a lie. So just as he has
taught you, remain in fellowship with Christ.*

1 John 2:27^{NLT}

*28 And now, dear children,
remain in fellowship with Christ so that
when he returns, you will be full of courage
and not shrink back from him in shame.*

*29 Since we know that Christ is righteous,
we also know that all who do what is
right are God's children.*

1 John 2:28, 29 ^{NLT}

Just a few More Things

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Continue to *Pray*

And we are confident that he hears us whenever we ask for anything that pleases him. And since we know he hears us when we make our requests, we also know that he will give us what we ask for. If you see a Christian brother or sister sinning in a way that does not lead to death, you should pray, and God will give that person life. But there is a sin that leads to death, and I am not saying you should pray for those who commit it. All wicked actions are sin, but not every sin leads to death.

1 John 5:14- 17^{NLT}

He is Risen...

