

Contrasting Portraits of Faith

Acts 4:32-5:11 [p 773]

Introduction

1. Barnabas

2. Ananias and Sapphira

Conclusion

Information



clive chin PORTRAITS of faith

live well
each day
as if it is the
last!

disconnect
cable to odometer
to give wrong data.
deceptive indicator
in Volkswagen cars

inner & outer

ACTS
4:32-5:11

deception

Believing in Christ
→
• tightens our bond to one another; &
• loosens our grip to earthly possessions

not socialism
nor communism
but christ-ism
eg. Barnabas

Church was growing exponentially → then but not now

Disconnect btw what we preach & how we live!! (masquerade?)

VS

Ananias & Sapphira

attention seeking, fame & reputatn

DECEPTION
↳ fell dead immediately

↳ they love their money but...
↳ they want to be seen loving God 'fully'

Context (persecution)

Taxi driver

Such severe consequences

Joshua 7 - Achan & Family

Learning Points

The greatest threat for the church is from within & not from without.

[Hypocrisy + Deception]

Take Heed @ Repent!

We are the problem!
(Risk of being swallowed up by the ground)

Revival