



**Ravenswood**

Youth Athletic Association

*Building Character, Families and Faith*



## Karate Lesson #4

### Suffering for Doing Good

Memory Verse:

Matthew 5:10

Blessed are those who suffer for doing what is right. The kingdom of heaven belongs to them.

Self-defense goals:

- More Escapes

Bible Story

The Apostles Arrested, from Acts 5:12-20

The apostles did many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. All the believers used to meet together at Solomon's Porch. No outsider dared to join them. But the people thought highly of them. More and more men and women believed in the Lord. They joined the other believers. So people brought those who were sick into the streets. They placed them on beds and mats. They hoped that at least Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he walked by.

Crowds even gathered from the towns around Jerusalem. They brought their sick. They also brought those who were suffering because of evil spirits. All of them were healed. The high priest and all his companions were Sadducees. They were very jealous of the apostles.

So they arrested them and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord came. He opened the prison doors and brought the apostles out.

"Go! Stand in the temple courtyard," the angel said. "Tell the people all about this new life."

Study Questions

1. Why were the apostles arrested?
2. Sometimes, even when we do good, bad things happen to us. What can we remember to help us during those times? (The same thing happened to Jesus and the apostles, Jesus promised to be with us, Jesus promised special rewards when we suffer for doing good.)

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