

## **Fooling Ourselves**

## **Description**

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Acts 5:1-11

These first events of the early church jogs our memory to the parallels of creation played out in Genesis. All started out heavenly and perfect until sin and its curse entered the picture. The Holy Spirit poured out on the first believing Christians creating a unified heartbeat and mind for sharing life together in the presence of their Lord where no one lived in need. Then painfully, through Ananias and Sapphira, the first sin crept into the new Spirit-filled community. Their overwhelming selfish desires were covered-up using lies and secrets, separating them in heart and mind from God and the Holy Spirit-led church. This couple ultimately faced the same dead-end curse of the Genesis couple: death and the grave.

Our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit where thoughts and motives are known. Confess sin, be cleansed, and return to the heart-pure life in the Holy Spirit.

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