

Week 3

Acts 3:1-26

Pray

Read: Acts 3:1-10

1. In verses 1-8, Luke records a miracle of healing through the Apostle Peter and the Apostle John. What deeper reality might this visual sign be pointing us to?

2. In verses 9-10, Luke records the reaction of both the lame beggar and the crowd. What is their reaction to the miracle?

>> Application & Reflection: In this scene, Luke shows us the risen Christ's power—how he gives new life and meets the needs of people beyond merely material concerns. Where can we (the church) confuse the gospel with material concerns? How does this come out? Where can we see this in ourselves and our community?

Read: Acts 3:11-26

3. In verses 11-16, Luke records Peter's sermon about the healing of the lame beggar. What does Peter say the significance of all this is?

4. In verses 17-26, Peter focuses on the idea of promise and fulfillment. What Old Testament passages does Peter say have been fulfilled in Christ? And how do these passages describe/portray the risen Christ?

5. Throughout his sermon, Peter speaks about his fellow Israelites. How does Peter describe them and the necessary response to the risen Christ?

>> Application & Reflection: In this scene, Peter proclaims that the proper response to the risen Christ is turning and repenting (v19). What does turning and repenting look like? What doesn't it look like? What's this look like in your life? And how can we make it part of everyday life?

>> Application & Reflection: In this scene, Peter also proclaims the blessing that comes from God through Jesus (v26) when we repent. Reflect on the spiritual blessings you've received in Christ, then share them with the group.

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