

Power to Witness in Word and Deed

The Book of Acts

Acts 3:11-26

Review Acts 3:1-10. Read Acts 3:11-20.

1. Why are the people surprised and staring at Peter and John? (vv. 11–12)

2. What does Peter give as the true cause for the healing of the lame beggar? (v. 16)

3. Peter uses this healing to proclaim Jesus to the crowd that has gathered. How does Peter describe him?
v. 13

v. 14

v. 15

v. 16

vv. 18, 20

4. Which description of Jesus stands out to you most? Why?

5. What does Peter tell the people they are guilty of? (vv. 13b–15)

6. God planned and foretold that the Christ, the Messiah, would suffer (v. 18). Why was his suffering necessary? (Isa. 53:5–6, 10a; Rom. 3:23; 1 Pet. 3:18)

7. What blessings will come to those who repent and turn to God?

v. 19a (Acts 2:38a)

v. 19b (Acts 2:38b; 1 Pet. 1:3–5, 8–9)

v. 20 (Jn. 14:1–3)

Read Acts 3:21-26.

8. What does God promise to do when Jesus returns? (v. 21; 2 Pet. 3:13; Rev. 21:3–5)

9. Even though Peter's listeners committed a heinous crime in rebellion against God and his Son, Peter gives them hope. No matter what horrible things you have done, when you turn to God, your sins are wiped out. How do you respond to this good news? (📖*Consider Psalm 103.)

10. Peter compares Jesus to Moses. What similarity is Peter emphasizing? (v. 22; Deut. 18:18; 📖 Jn. 12:49-50)

11. The people are given a specific command of how to respond to this Prophet.
What is the command? (v. 22)

What will happen to those who don't obey this command? (v. 23; Deut. 18:19)

12. Who are the people God intends to bless through Abraham's offspring, Jesus? (vv. 25–26; Rom. 1:16)

How does God intend to bless them? (v. 26b; Rom. 6:22)

13. Who is one person in your life that would be blessed by the good news offered in Jesus' name? Take some time to pray for that person. Look for an opportunity to share what repentance and forgiveness has meant in your life and what it could mean in his or hers.

*The 📖 symbol indicates verses for further study.