

Miracles Message 3

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Outline

"... Faith in Jesus' name has healed him before your very eyes."

Acts 3:16 (NLT)

Miracle = act produced by supernatural _____

A. Introduction

(Acts 3:1-3. C/R: Acts 2:22,43; 1 Corinthians 12:9-10; James 5:14-15) 2. Illustrate God's _____. (Acts 3:7-11. C/R: John 3:2; 1 Corinthians 12:9-10; 1 Timothy 5:23; 2 Timothy 4:20)

3. Introduce the ______. (Acts 3:12-26. C/R: John 6:2,14; 12:18; Romans 15:18-19; Galatians 3:5; Hebrews 2:3-4)

B. The purpose of miracles is to...

1. Identify God's _____. (Acts 3:4-6. C/R: John 2:11,23; 6:14; 7:31; Acts 2:43; 2 Corinthians 12:12)

Answers: power B1. messengers 2. power 3. Gospel

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Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit brookwoodchurch.org/smallgroups.

Conversation Starter

Do you prefer winter, spring, summer or fall? Why?

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to guiet your heart and mind. Ask God to help you experience His love and hear His voice as you study and reflect.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read Acts 3:1-11.

- 1. What were Peter and John doing when the beggar asked them for money (vs. 1-3)? Why do you think Luke included these details in the story?
- 2. Why did Peter say Look at us! (vs. 4-5)?
- 3. What's the significance of Peter's words In the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, get up and walk! (vs. 6)?
- 4. Why do you think Peter and John healed the beggar physically instead of giving him money or offering spiritual salvation?
- 5. How did the man respond when He was healed? How did the people respond when they saw that this man could now walk (vs. 7-11)?

Read Acts 3:12-26.

- 6. Why is it important for us that the apostles didn't need their own power or exceptional godliness to heal the beggar (vs. 12)?
- 7. How did this encounter with the beggar validate Peter and John as God's messengers? What evidence is there in your life that you're a messenger of God?

- 8. Miracles seem to be commonplace throughout the book of Acts. Why do you think we don't see more miraculous healing in our day?
- 9. What is repentance and what blessings follow repentance (vs. 19-20)?
- 10. How do you long to be refreshed (restored or healed) right now?

Digging Deeper

Make a list of all the things you learn about Jesus in Acts 3:1-26.

Spiritual Practice

[Spiritual Practices are steps we take to allow the Holy Spirit to work in our lives. These aren't meant to be one-time actions, but practices that become a natural part of our lives.]

Make a list of your physical, emotional and spiritual weaknesses and wounds (things like fear, anger, anxiety, illnesses, etc.). Select one of these areas that seems most significant right now. Share this with someone and ask them to pray for you. Seek to include this practice of seeking healing as a regular part of your conversations with God, with friends, your mentor or group.

Memory Verse

And God confirmed the message by giving signs and wonders and various miracles and gifts of the Holy Spirit whenever He chose.

Hebrews 2:4 (NLT)

Daily Reading

Day 1: <u>Luke 5:17-26</u>	Day 4: Romans 15:18-19
Day 2: <u>Jeremiah 17:7-8</u>	Day 5: <u>John 2:1-12</u>
Day 3: <u>1 Corinthians 12:9-10</u>	

Prepare for Next Sunday

Sunday, October 11, we'll continue the series titled Church Empowered. To prepare, read Acts 4:1-31.



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