

MULTIPLYING DISCIPLES

DISCUSSION GUIDE | SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021

MESSAGE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Read Acts 3. What are some questions you have about this passage?

EXPLORE THE TEXT

ACTS 3:1-3

Did Peter & John normally go to the temple (2:46)? Why did they go? Do you think they saw this lame man before this day? Helped before? What kind of life do you think this lame man had (Acts 4:22)?

ACTS 3:4-10

Why did Peter 'see' THIS man THIS day? Why tell him, 'look at us'? Do you think Peter had wanted to help this man before this day? What risk (faith in action) did Peter take with this man? Why? What was the evidence this man was supernaturally healed?

ACTS 3:11-12

What was the crowd's response to witnessing this healing? What two WHY questions did Peter ask the crowd? What's his point?

ACTS 3:13-15

What does Peter say about what God has done through Jesus Christ? What accusations (indictments) does Peter make of the crowd?

ACTS 3:16

In what sense: did Jesus heal this man? Did Jesus heal through Peter?

TRUTH TO LIVE BY

JESUS GIVES US 'INTERRUPTIONS' TO SEE IF WE WILL PARTNER WITH HIM TO MAKE THEM 'OPPORTUNITIES' TO LIVE AS HIS WITNESSES. (3:1-3)

1. Are you living your life in a devoted/surrendered way to Jesus? Explain.
2. How do you tend to respond to 'interruptions' in your life? Why?
3. Do you tend to SEE people in need & try to put yourself in their shoes? Why?

JESUS TURNS OUR 'INTERRUPTIONS' INTO 'OPPORTUNITIES' FOR HIS GRACE TO BE EXPERIENCED BY THOSE AROUND US AS WE PARTNER WITH HIM. (3:4-10)

4. Share a time when you had the ability to help someone but chose not to.
5. Share a time when you asked Jesus to do something supernatural to help someone and He answered your prayer as you asked.
6. Share a time when you asked Jesus to do something supernatural to help someone and as of yet you haven't seen the answer to that prayer.

AS HIS PARTNER, JESUS WANTS TO GIVE VERBAL WITNESS TO WHAT HE HAS DONE (GOSPEL) AND WANTS TO DO IN PEOPLE'S LIVES THROUGH US. (3:11-16)

7. Why are people prone to 'worship' the person through whom Jesus does great things through? Why is this offensive to Jesus?
8. Is it easy or hard to tell others what Jesus has done/is doing in you? Why?
9. When Peter was close to Jesus, he was courageous; yet when he wasn't close to Jesus, he was a coward. Give examples of this from Peter's life. So when Peter is now used by Jesus to do the supernatural, what does that tell you?

Which of the above truths do you need to practice in your life this next week?