

## What Do You Have To Give?

Acts 3:1-26

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### Getting to Know You

1. When have you felt refreshed physically or spiritually? Describe what it was like.
2. How do you respond to the beggar on the street corner? What is the appropriate way to respond?

### Digging Deeper

1. Read Acts 3:1-16. In what ways is the encounter Peter and John have with the lame man what would be expected? And how would it be unexpected?
2. What is the significance of Peter's words "In the name of the Messiah, Jesus of Nazareth" (3:6)?
3. After the lame beggar is miraculously healed, how does the crowd respond to this miracle (Acts 3:9-11)? How does the beggar respond (vv. 8, 11)? How do Peter and John respond to the crowd's amazement in verses 12-16?
4. Read Isaiah 35:5-6. In Acts 3, Luke uses a rare word for leaping. It is the very same word used in the Greek translation of the Old Testament (called the Septuagint or LXX) of Isaiah 35:5-6. How does this understanding (that Luke uses the same word for leaping as was used in the OT version from Jesus' day) shed light on our passage?
5. Read Leviticus 21:17-19 and then read Acts 3:8. Where does the lame man go immediately after he is able to stand and walk? Why would he go there?
6. What's the significance of each thing Peter has to say about Jesus in 3:13-16?
7. Consider the number of different names and titles Peter attributes to Jesus in his speech in 3:12-26. What are they, and how does that help you understand Peter's message?
8. Read Acts 3:17-26. What are the results of repentance (3:19-20)? How have you seen those results in your own life?
9. In Acts 3:21-26, how, according to Peter, do Moses and the prophets point to Jesus?

### Take Home Challenges

Consider the following statements and how they relate to you in light of Acts 3:

- I will not underestimate the value of ministering to even one solitary person.
- I understand that even if I am unable to give financially, I should look for other ways that I can give.
- I am so glad that God, through Christ Jesus, has brought the spiritually crippled back into his presence.
- I will live in wonder and amazement at what God has done for me and seek to give him the praise.

## **Prayer**

- Thank God for forgiveness of sins.
- Pray for yourself, that you will be restored, healed and refreshed in every way.
- Pray the same for others who are in need physically and spiritually.