

## A MIRACLE TO CONFIRM THE MESSAGE OF THE MESSIAH

(Acts 3:1-11)

### I. THE INFANCY AND THE GROWTH OF THE CHURCH IN JERUSALEM (3-7)

#### A. A Miracle Performed in the Name of Jesus Christ (3:1-11)

1. These Jewish believers were still \_\_\_\_\_ to the temple and to the \_\_\_\_\_ hours of prayer: morning (9:00 A.M.), afternoon (3:00 P.M.), and evening (sunset); Peter and John went to the temple to pray at \_\_\_\_\_ in the afternoon. (v. 1)
2. The description of a man lame from \_\_\_\_\_ emphasized his \_\_\_\_\_; he was placed at the gate with the most traffic for profitable begging. (v. 2)
3. The 40-year-old beggar asked Peter and John for alms, but Peter asked for the man's \_\_\_\_\_, and he willingly gave it to them both. (vv. 3-4)
4. The lame beggar was probably used to \_\_\_\_\_ with people's \_\_\_\_\_ and with Peter and John's attention, he was now hopeful he would receive some temporary gift. (v. 5)
5. Peter's reply, with its deliberate word-order "*Silver and gold I do not have*", would initially disappoint the hopes that had been raised, but it was \_\_\_\_\_ followed by an \_\_\_\_\_ of something so much \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 6a)
6. Peter did not heal this man, he was healed in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus, i.e., in the \_\_\_\_\_ and in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ; it was the Son of God who ultimately healed the beggar. (v. 6b)

7. Some things to observe regarding this miracle in the following verses...
- a. It involved a life-long \_\_\_\_\_ condition (v. 2)
  - b. It was done in the \_\_\_\_\_ of “*Jesus Christ of Nazareth*” (v. 6b)
  - c. It was \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 7)
  - d. It was \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 9)
  - e. It was \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 16)

\* How is this different from the supposed miracles of many false faith-healers today?

8. Twice v. 8 tells us that this man was \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ so as to leave no doubt; and this healed man responded to the miracle by \_\_\_\_\_ God. (v. 8)
9. The large crowd in the temple couldn't help but notice the beggar walking with the apostles, “*and they were filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ at what had happened to him.*” (vv. 9-10)
10. The Lord used this miraculous event to grab the attention of \_\_\_\_\_ the people in the temple, they \_\_\_\_\_ to Solomon's Porch where Peter was about to \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 11)

\* What can you personally apply from this passage today?