

The Power of the Gospel Acts 3:1-26

- 1. Describe a favorite story that you like to hear or read, over and over.**
- 2. Which testimonies from the Teen Challenge guys impacted you most?**
- 3. Read Acts 3:1-26 together as a group. What do you like most about this event?**
- 4. Describe the difference in the following people, “pre“and “post” healing.**

Cripple

Peter/John

Crowd

5. In V7 Peter “taking him by the right hand, he helped him up...” and Jesus in Matthew 8:3, 8:15, 9:23-25 and 14:31 took each by the hand or touched them with his hand. What significance is touch or lifting up another in the act of healing?

(b) If we pray and ask for healing for someone and do not “lift them up” how does this speak to our faith or lack of faith in Jesus? Explain.

6. v 12-16, list all the titles or descriptions of Jesus and all the “you...” statements.
JESUS YOU

What is Peter’s objective in comparing these two lists?

7. “By faith in the name of Jesus”, V16, who’s faith is Peter talking about? Why do you have this opinion?

8. Verses 11-26 is Peter's second sermon. Compare this presentation of the gospel with his first sermon, Acts 2:14-39.

SIMILARITIES

DIFFERENCES

9. What comforts you and what makes you uneasy as you listen to Peter talk about Jesus?

10. When comparing these two messages, what do you think is Peter's "bare bones" gospel?

11. Peter married healing and preaching as a witness to the power of the Gospel of Jesus. Should this marriage take place today? What could it look like?