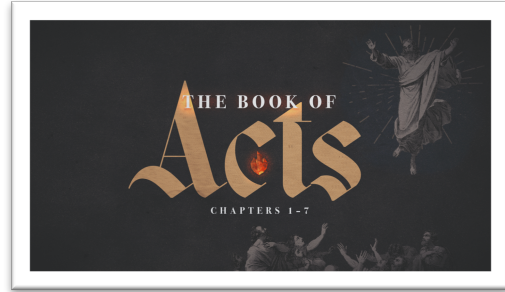


WHAT I DO HAVE I GIVE TO YOU

ACTS 3:1-10 // PASTOR TODD DUGARD
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I will look to Jesus Christ alone to meet my most pressing need.

- Q1.** *Do I even know what my most pressing need is? (3:1-5)*
- Q2.** *Do I realize that Christ, by his grace, meets all my needs and many of my wants? (3:6-7)*
- Q3.** *Do I respond to God with unashamed worship for all he's done and is doing for me? (3:8)*
- Q4.** *Do I understand that my one life, rightly lived for God, can impact so many others? (3:9-10)*

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why do you need Jesus more than you needed anything else today?

- Peter and John clearly had Jesus in their lives and yet they were taking time from their day to go pray at the temple with other worshippers. We get the sense that this was regular part of church life for the early believers. What activities do you have each day that you associate with what it means to have your greatest need met in Jesus Christ?

- Matthew 6:25-34 addresses helps us identify our primary need and our secondary needs. What does Jesus tell his followers to seek first? How do you see yourself being obedient to his command?

- In the same passage, Jesus gives instructions about your secondary needs. He tells us not be anxious about having our basic necessities met. Do you think this a promise that is made for everyone in general or specifically to those who are following Jesus on his mission? What practical differences would you need to make if you were not going to be “*anxious about tomorrow?*”

- The man who was healed had been unable to walk since birth. He was totally dependent on people and, in a sense, a prisoner of his problem. Being healed in Jesus' name set him free and opened up a whole new way of life, so he worshipped enthusiastically. Can you relate to such a radical change of circumstance like this? What change(s) has God made in your situation that should result in exuberant worship?
- If you have felt inhibited to worship God as openly as this man did, what would cause you to be more focused on praise than the potential for embarrassment?
- Reflect on the questions raised by this sermon (see above). Is there a question that you can't say "yes" to? Write it down below. What do you need to do to develop your life as a believer so you can eventually answer "yes" to this question?
- Obviously, this passage articulates a miraculous event that happened in the lame man's life. Miracles are signs meant for impact. They are not magic tricks meant to leave us asking, how did they do that! (See Act 4:9-10.) Salvation is the major miraculous event in every believer's life, where Jesus meets our most pressing need. This one event is meant to have an impact on all those who witness the change. What impact is your salvation having on those who have seen the changes in your life?
- Who will you interact with in the coming week that could also be affected by this miraculous change in your life?

(If the changes in you are not as obvious as God restoring your ability to walk, how could you make the miraculous part of your salvation more visible to others this week?)