

You Will Live with Purpose

Acts 3:1 One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer – at three in the afternoon. 2 Now a man crippled from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. 3 When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. 4 Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” 5 So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them. 6 Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.” 7 Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man’s feet and ankles became strong. 8 He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God. 9 When all the people saw him walking and praising God, 10 they recognized him as the same man who used to sit begging at the temple gate called Beautiful, and they were filled with wonder and amazement at what had happened to him.

Lessons We Will Learn in this Series:

1. There are _____ of being Spirit-filled that Christians need to _____ (and these are not all of them!)
2. We should regularly _____ ourselves by these characteristics.

The Healings and Miracles in Acts

1. The Apostles and their associates did them as a _____ of the _____ of their testimony.
John 10:25 Jesus answered, “I did tell you, but you do not believe. The miracles I do in my Father’s name speak for me,
2. Once the Scriptures were available, these “_____” were no longer necessary to test the _____ of the message.
3. The miracles in Scripture were _____ even by the outsiders.
4. Many _____ miracles and miracle-workers _____ church people today.
5. _____ and his followers can produce miracles _____!
Mark 13:22 For false Christs and false prophets will appear and perform signs and miracles to deceive the elect – if that were possible.
6. _____ the healings in Acts happened to _____!
7. God is _____ to heal and _____ heal today: but normally not in the same supernatural way that we see in Scriptures.

Some Background to this Passage

“One day” – tells us two things: we no longer have a definite _____ and this was just a _____ day.

The physically handicapped in Israel –

The crippled man – he was crippled from _____; he was carried _____ to the _____ place to beg.

The Beautiful Gate – the _____ side of the Temple Mount.

The Miracle:

-- It was _____.

-- It was _____ (it was a _____ miracle).

-- It was _____.

Got Spirit?

The single-greatest proof of being filled with God’s Spirit is _____!

When You Have the Spirit, You Will Live with Purpose!

1. Living with purpose means being part of the _____ and being faithful to it!

Acts 3:1 One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer – at three in the afternoon.

2. Living with purpose means that you are _____ of God’s will and _____ for your life.

Acts 3:4 Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, “Look at us!” 5 So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.

3. Living with purpose means that you will _____ what you _____ for the sake of the _____ of Christ.

Acts 3:6 Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.”

4. Living with purpose means that you cannot take _____ for the _____ of Jesus Christ! He is supreme!

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How Are You Doing?

1. Do you have a sense of _____ about your faith?
2. Are you confident of God’s _____ in your life?