

Acts 3:1-16

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) 3:1 Jews prayed at 9:00 AM, 12:00 NOON, and 3:00 PM daily.
- 2) 3:2 Begging was all this man had ever known. He had no hope of his life ever changing.
- 3) 3:2 Crowds swarmed the temple every day. One way to impress God was to give alms to the poor.
- 4) 3:5 There are times when we are so focused on our wants, concentrating on what is important to us, that we completely miss God's bigger picture.
- 5) 3:5 The man did not comprehend what he was about to receive because he was looking to the wrong source.
- 6) 3:6 To invoke the name of Jesus is to do something in the name of Jesus, to act consistent with His will, to do what He would do if He were here.
- 7) 3:6 Peter proclaimed the power of the risen Jesus to change circumstances.
- 8) 3:7-8 The man did not need to be taught how to walk. His coordination and balance were instant.
- 9) 3:10 The crowds recognized the man, and everyone knew his situation. There was no chance of a trick being involved in the healing.
- 10) 3:11 This healing validated the disciples and attracted people to the Truth.
- 11) 3:13 Peter linked the Old Testament God they knew with the promised Messiah.
- 12) 3:13 If God demands glory for Himself and says that He will not share His glory with another, then what is being stated here is extraordinarily clear...Jesus is God!

13) 3:14-15 Peter's claim was powerful evidence for the resurrection.

GREEK WORDS

Atenizō—fixed, intense gaze

Onoma (on'-om-ah)—a “name” [authority, character]

Dikaios—righteous; innocent of any crime

Archēgos—originator, pioneer, or beginner of something

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