

Acts 3:1-4:4

The Real Healing Ministry of Jesus Christ

Memory Aid for the 28 Chapters of the Book of Acts
JESUS IS ALIVE AS HEAD OF HIS BRIDE

Jesus Ascends to Heaven
Establishment of the NT Church
Salvation of a Lame Beggar
Unleashing of Persecution
Sin in the Church

Miracle 3:1-3:10

Peter (and John) free a man from physical paralysis in the name of Jesus
In the name = on the basis of/because of



The 9th hour = 3:00 pm

Lame from birth: this was a need that was humanly impossible to remedy

Silver and gold have I not = I don't have any money "on me" to give you now, but what I can do/I will do...however the purpose of this miracle was not just to help this one man, it was much more than that. Ultimately, it was a signpost to the crowd (and the Sanhedrin) and a graphic validation of the uniqueness of the Apostolic witness of Peter/John to Jesus as the Messiah/Savior of the World

Message 3:11-26

God spiritually frees all who believe from spiritual paralysis in the name of Jesus

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob...glorified His Servant (Isaiah 53) Jesus

The One you delivered up/disowned in the presence of Pilate-you disowned the Holy and Righteous One/put to death the Prince of Life the One whom God raised from the dead...a fact to which we are witnesses:

1a: Repent (μετανοεω)

change your mind about your sin, yourself and your Savior Acts 3:19

1b: Believe (πιστευω)

active receptive trust in the Lord Jesus Christ Acts 4:4

Momentum 4:1-4

The Church in Jerusalem continued to grow in the name of Jesus despite the rise of direct opposition/persecution

Speaking truth to power leads to insult/marginalization, opposition/persecution, the mere act of Peter proclaiming the FACT of the resurrection of Jesus was seen as a criminal act...If we were arrested for being Christians-believer in the crucified and risen Savior-Jesus Christ, would there be enough evidence to convict us?

The (εκκλησια) Church now = 5000 men (ανηρ) plus women/children

Take This To Heart

Physical healing has a place in God's program and we can/should pray for the physical health and healing of others. However all physical healing-natural or supernatural is trumped by a factor of infinity by the spiritual/eternal healing available through faith in Jesus Christ