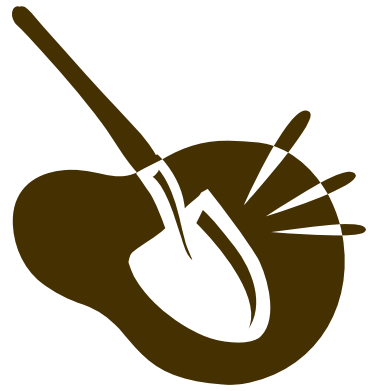


DIGGING DEEPER



These questions are designed for use in our Life Groups, but they also can be used in personal and family devotions.

Series: Lights, Camera, ACTS-ion
Sermon: *The Man, The Miracle & The Message*
Scripture: Acts 3:1-26

Getting Started

Discuss a time in your life when you asked God for something that He didn't give you, but in hindsight you understood that what He had given you was better.

Bible Study Questions

1. What was the problem of the man mentioned in verse 2?
2. When Peter offered the lame beggar "what I have" (v. 6), what was he offering the man?
 - How do you suppose the man felt at first when Peter told him that they didn't have any money?
3. Following his miraculous healing, what did the formerly lame beggar do (vv. 8-9)?
4. How did the people respond when they realized what had happened to the formerly lame beggar (vv. 10-11)?
 - How did this miraculous healing make these people more receptive to the message that Peter preached?
5. Look up the following verses. How do these verses help us to understand the important role that miracles played in the early days of the church, prior to the completion of the New Testament?
 - 1 John 4:1
 - 2 Corinthians 12:12
 - Hebrews 2:3-4
 - Once the New Testament was complete, why did the need for miracles, wonders and signs decrease?

Apply It

In Sunday's sermon, we drew some comparisons between the beggar's physical condition and our spiritual condition.

- His situation seemed hopeless.
- He could not help himself.
- He was helped by Jesus.

With which one(s) do you most closely relate, and why?