



Life Guide

applying God's Word to life

Worship Theme – We have a meaningful message to share
Sermon Theme – Proclaim the resurrection!
April 13-15, 2024

Acts 3:11-20 While the man held on to Peter and John, all the people were astonished and came running to them in the place called Solomon's Colonnade. ¹² When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus. You handed him over to be killed, and you disowned him before Pilate, though he had decided to let him go. ¹⁴ You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. ¹⁵ You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. We are witnesses of this. ¹⁶ By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through him that has completely healed him, as you can all see. ¹⁷ "Now, fellow Israelites, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did your leaders. ¹⁸ But this is how God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, saying that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, ²⁰ and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus.

1. How does Peter's response to the healing of the man in Acts 3 demonstrate a preparedness to proclaim the resurrection?
2. In what ways did Peter redirect the glory from himself and John to Jesus during this interaction? What happened to Jesus which brought God glory?
3. Reflecting on Peter's message in Acts 3, how can we effectively communicate the gospel message in today's world?

4. What role does repentance play in Peter's message? Why does he emphasize it so strongly?
5. How does the concept of choosing between Jesus and other less than excellent options resonate with you? What struggles of your own with this are you willing to share?
6. Discuss the idea that our sins contributed to Jesus' death. How does this truth impact our relationship with God?
7. What strategies can we employ to effectively share the gospel message with those who may be hurting, jaded, or ignorant of their need for God?
8. How can we authentically demonstrate Christ's love in our interactions with our neighbors? Given the current social/cultural climate and the views of many about Christianity, why is this authenticity essential in sharing the message of salvation?