SERMON OUTLINE

Healed to Glorify Christ

Acts 3

- I. The Miracle at the Temple Gate (Acts 3:1-11).
 - A. What God did
 - Peter and John met a lame man at the temple begging for money. Peter healed him instead. Everyone was amazed, which gave Peter a chance to explain salvation through Jesus.
 - B. Principles of how God works
 - Physical needs are spiritual opportunities.
 - God can give us better than we ask.
 - Miracles glorify Christ and create interest in Him.
- II. The Message in the Temple Court (Acts 3:12-26).
 - A. Point #1 We didn't heal this man; Jesus did He's the One you killed (3:12-16).
 - Beware of taking credit for God's work or being impressed with someone who does.
 - B. Point #2 You Jews acted in ignorance, since you didn't realize the Messiah would not only reign, but also suffer (3:17-18; Isaiah 53 etc.).
 - Beware of any religious teaching that avoids the cross that Jesus died for our sin.
 - C. Point #3 You must repent turning from your wrong view of Jesus to believe in Him (3:19-26).
 - 1. Repent so your sins are "wiped away" Christ provided salvation for all through faith (3:19a; Acts 4:4).
 - 2. Christ will return to keep all of God's promises to Israel (3:19b-21).
 - 3. Moses prophesied of Jesus (22-23; Deuteronomy 18:15-19)
 - 4. The prophets, Samuel and Abraham all knew the Messiah would bless the whole world (24-25).
 - 5. Christ came to bring salvation to the Jews first (26).

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