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Why Do You Wonder At This?

Acts 3:11-16

I. Two Denials (vv. 11-12)

A. Not by our _____ (Acts 8:18-20; Zech. 4:6)

B. Not by our _____ (Titus 3:5; Psa. 115:1)

II. Five Affirmations (vv. 13-15)

A. The God of our _____ (Ex. 3:6; Matt. 22:31-32; Acts 5:30; 7:32)

B. The God who Glorified His _____ (Isa. 42:1; 52:13; 53; Acts 3:26; 4:27; Mk. 10:45; Jn. 6:38; Phil. 2:9-11)

C. The God who Glorified _____ (Matt. 1:21; Acts 4:12)

D. The God who Glorified the _____ and **Righteous** One (Psa. 16:10; 1 Jn. 3:5; 1 Pet. 2:22; 2 Cor. 5:21)

E. The God who Raised up the _____ of Life (Heb. 12:2; Psa. 36:9; Jn. 1:4; 1 Jn. 5:11)

III. One Faith (v. 16)

A. Faith in His _____ (Jn. 1:12; 1 Pet. 1:12)

B. Faith in Jesus brought _____ (Matt. 17:20)

C. Faith in Jesus on _____ before them all (Acts 17:30)

TAKE HOME

- Do you find yourself more in **awe** about mind-blowing facts or heart-changing spiritual truths?
- Do you **affirm** the name of Jesus and all that the Scriptures teach us about Him?
- Do you have **exclusive** faith in an explosive God?

STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a small group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please visit our website at placiritachurch.com.

1. Read Acts 3:11-12. What happened in vv. 1-10? Why did the man go into the temple? Why did he cling to Peter and John? How did Peter use this opportunity to preach the Gospel?

2. What were the two denials that Peter gave as far as not being responsible for this lame man’s healing? Review Acts 8:18-20 and Zechariah 4:6 as well as Titus 3:5 and Psalm 115:1 to help you with your answer.

3. Read Acts 3:13. What is the significance of Peter referring to the God of our fathers—the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob? (Ex. 3:6; Matt. 22:31-32; Acts 5:30; 7:32)

4. Why do you think Peter discusses that God glorified His Servant Jesus? What is significant about “servant” and what is significant about “Jesus”? (Isa. 42:1; 52:13; 53; Acts 3:26; 4:27; Mk. 10:45; Jn. 6:38; Phil. 2:9-11; Matt. 1:21; Acts 4:12)

5. Read Acts 3:14. In what way was Jesus the Holy and Righteous One? How does knowing this about Christ encourage you today? (Psa. 16:10; 1 Jn. 3:5; 1 Pet. 2:22; 2 Cor. 5:21)

6. Read Acts 3:15. What is the title for Christ given in this verse? Why is this title so significant at this point of redemptive history? (Heb. 12:2; Psa. 36:9; Jn. 1:4; 1 Jn. 5:11)

7. Read Acts 3:16. What is significant about having faith in Jesus’ name? (Jn. 1:12; 1 Pet. 1:12) Whose faith in Jesus brought this man healing? (Matt. 17:20) What is the significance of this being done before them all? (Acts 17:30)

8. Read the take home questions. Which one challenges you or encourages you the most? Why? How will you live your life differently this week based on what you have learned from this passage?

“The angel spoke to Joseph the name in a dream: that name so soft and sweet that it breaks no man’s rest, but rather yields a peace unrivaled, the peace of God. With such a dream Joseph’s sleep was more blessed than his waking. The name has evermore this power, for, to those who know it, it unveils a glory brighter than dreams have ever imagined.”

- Charles Spurgeon