

Supplemental Scriptures

Isaiah 35:5-6 Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. Then will the lame leap like a deer, and the mute tongue shout for joy.

Isaiah 42:6-7 I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness.

Luke 5:20-26 When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven". The Pharisees and the teachers of the law began thinking to themselves, "Who is this fellow who speaks blasphemy? Who can forgive sins but God alone?" Jesus knew what they were thinking and asked, "Why are you thinking these things in your hearts? Which is easier: to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralyzed man, "I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God. Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, "We have seen remarkable things today."

James 5:13-16 Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

Acts 4:1-4 The priests and the captain of the temple guard and the Sadducees came up to Peter and John while they were speaking to the people. They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people, proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. They seized Peter and John and, because it was evening, they put them in jail until the next day. But many who heard the message believed; so the number of men who believed grew to about five thousand.

2 Corinthians 13:4 For to be sure, he was crucified in weakness, yet he lives by God's power. Likewise, we are weak in him, yet by God's power we will live with him in our dealing with you.

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The Message in the Miracle - Acts 3:1-10

Four Messages Revealed in Miracles

1. Look ____ to Jesus.

Miracles _____ Jesus is who He says He is.

You can trust the _____ because Jesus is the author of life.

2. Look _____ to your future.

Miracles offer _____ beyond the grave.

You must _____ with God to alleviate suffering.

3. Look ____ to your need for salvation.

Miracles reveal that your deepest need is _____ not physical.

You must _____ a relationship with God based on grace and forgiveness.

4. Look _____ to His power in your weakness.

Miracles are made possible through surrender and _____.

You are _____ to surrender and sacrifice to bring His healing power to the world.

Life Group Ice Breaker

1. Have you ever seen a miracle with your own eyes? If so, what was that like?

Discussion Questions

2. Regarding this sermon, is there any truth that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?
3. Read Acts 3:1-10. What was the lame man needing? What role does “faith in Jesus” play in this miracle? Why do you think the “name of Jesus” is significant?
4. Read Acts 3:11-28. What about Peter’s sermon is convicting? How is he relating the miracle of healing to salvation in Christ alone?

5. In the Sunday sermon, Ron gave four directions that miracles point us towards: up, ahead, in and down. How are these directions helpful/confusing in understanding miracles in general?

6. Many of us come to God seeking “silver and gold” (physical things). What physical things did you seek when coming to Christ? What spiritual needs has He met?

Application Questions & Prayer

7. Peter and John demonstrated courage and care that came at a great price. You too can be an agent of grace and healing in the lives of others. Who is God calling you to love boldly today? What might that cost you?
8. We can all relate to his feelings of helplessness. In what areas of your life do you hope for healing? The past? Is it physical in nature? Freedom from a deep sense of shame. Spend some time praying for one another.