

The Department of Church Growth and Development

Bible Study Outline

Scripture Text: Acts 3:1-16

Lesson 3# The Power and Authority in the Name of Jesus

Proposition: That which is done in the Name of Jesus positively and permanently changes the lives of people and glorifies the Name of God.

1. Ministry in the name of Jesus results in supernatural power and passionate praise.

(3:1-10)

- a. Peter and John encountered a person in need of a miracle. (1-3)
 - i. They were on their way to the 3:00PM prayer meeting. (1)
 - ii. A beggar who was lame from birth asked them for money. (2, 3)
- b. Peter ministered to him in the name of Jesus Christ. (4-7)
 - i. He instructed the man to look at them and he did. (4, 5)
 - ii. He confessed to the man that he had no money. (6)
 - iii. He gave the man what he did have. (6, 7)
 1. He commanded the man to walk in the name of Jesus Christ.
 2. He took him by the right hand and lifted him up.
 3. He saw the man's feet and ankle bones receive strength.
- c. The beggar stood up and began leaping, walking, and praising God. (8)
- d. The people who saw him were filled with wonder and amazement. (9, 10)

2. Faith in the name of Jesus results in physical healing and perfect health. (11-16)

- a. Peter saw the people's amazement concerning the miracle. (11, 12)
- b. Peter assures them that this miracle was not the result of their own power. (12)
- c. Peter informs them that the man was healed by faith in the name of Jesus. (13-16)
 - i. God glorified His Servant, Jesus Christ. (13)
 - ii. You rejected Him. (13-15)
 1. You delivered Him up.
 2. You denied Him before Pilate who wanted to let Him go.
 3. You denied the Holy One and the Just for a murderer.
 4. You killed the prince of life.
 - iii. God raised Him from the dead. (15)
 - iv. We are His witnesses. (15)
 - v. Healing and Health come from faith in His name. (16)

3. Repentance in the name of Jesus results in spiritual renewal and authentic revival. (17-26)

- a. Christ's suffering and passion were the fulfillment of prophecy. (17, 18)
 - i. The people and the rulers acted in ignorance. (17)

- ii. God fulfilled Old Testament prophecies of the Messiah's suffering. (18)
- b. Repentance in the name of Jesus is the only way to renewal and revival. (19, 20)
 - i. Genuine repentance must precede forgiveness of sin. (19)
 - ii. Genuine conversion must precede spiritual renewal. (19)
 - iii. Genuine repentance must precede true revival from God. (19)
 - iv. Genuine repentance must prepare us for Christ's second coming. (20)
- c. The prophets of old spoke of the Christ to whom all must turn. (21-24)
 - i. Christ must remain in heaven until the time of universal restoration. (21)
 - ii. God announced Christ coming by the holy prophets. (21)
 - iii. God announced His coming through the prophecies of Moses. (22, 23)
 - 1. God will raise up a prophet like me, that all must listen to.
- d. God sent Jesus first to the children of the covenant. (25-26)
 - i. Through them all the families of the earth were to be blessed. (25)
 - ii. He gave them the first opportunity to repent of their sins. (26)