



Bible study for the week starting July 17, 2022

SHARE

1. We heard the story last week about the cripple who was healed and “walked and leapt and praised God.” What’s the last thing that happened in your life that elicited this kind of reaction in you? Spend a little time sharing.

READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

2. Read **Acts 4:1-22**. As you heard from Pastor Marvin last week, there was a healing miracle, but that was simply meant to pave the way for the Gospel message, and for repentance and faith (two amazing miracles). How did this become a hangup for those who were collectively “annoyed” by the apostles?
3. The more specific we are in our proclamation of Jesus, the more scandalous and offensive it is to many. If we are Holy Spirit-filled people, what tone will our message take when we are given the opportunity to give the reason for the hope we have in Jesus?
4. I love the line: “They recognized that they had been with Jesus.” I hope that’s something others would say about you. What stands out about someone who clearly spends their time in the presence of Jesus? What’s different? What might change in your life so this would more accurately describe you?
5. Read **Colossians 1:21-29**. We may not be rich, but we carry a message that is truly treasure. Paul sums up this beautiful passage by stating that he “toils” for this with all the energy of both God and himself. What encouragement does this give to you?
6. Read **Luke 10:38-42**. Busy doesn’t always mean productive. Our focus should be primarily on Jesus and the Gospel message. How do you fight distractions like this in your own life?

PRAY

7. You may never make a cripple walk, but you might be a powerful conduit of the Gospel. Pray for opportunities, and for God to keep your eyes open so you don’t miss them.



The God Who Acts: Salvation in No One Else

Acts 4:1-22

July 17, 2022 – Pastor Eric Van Scharrel

A powerful [MIRACLE](#) paved the way for a powerful [MESSAGE](#).

“There is salvation in [NO ONE](#) else, for there is [NO OTHER](#) name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”
-Acts 4:12

They were [ANNOYED](#) because Peter and John were “teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the [RESURRECTION](#) from the dead.”

These guys were the religious [WRONG](#).

[FILLED](#) with the Holy Spirit.

These leaders didn’t just hear the word but heard the [TONE](#).

“And they recognized that they had been [WITH](#) Jesus.” -Acts 4:13

It’s one thing to encounter [VENOM](#) elsewhere; it’s another thing when you look for [SANCTUARY](#) and end up with [SNAKEBITES](#).

“...we cannot but [SPEAK](#) of what we have [SEEN](#) and [HEARD](#).”

-Acts 4:20

For next week, read Acts 4:23-31.