



ACT(ion)S - No Other Name

Acts Week 2

Acts References: Most are NIV

1. **Acts 2:46-47** – The believers meeting daily, breaking bread, and the Lord adding to their number.
2. **Acts 3:1** – Peter and John going to the temple at the hour of prayer.
3. **Acts 3:2-5** – The lame man at the Beautiful Gate begging for alms.
4. **Acts 3:6-7** – Peter heals the man in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth.
5. **Acts 3:8-9** – The man walking, leaping, and praising God in the temple.
6. **Acts 3:10-11** – The people recognize him and gather at Solomon's Colonnade.
7. **Acts 3:12-16** – Peter addresses the crowd, emphasizing Jesus' power and resurrection.
8. **Acts 4:4** – The number of believers grows to about five thousand.
9. **Acts 4:10** – Peter speaks before the Sanhedrin, proclaiming Jesus' resurrection.
10. **Acts 4:11** – Jesus as the cornerstone, quoting Psalm 118:22.
11. **Acts 4:12** – Salvation found in no other name but Jesus.

Other Scripture References:

12. **Daniel 6:10** – Daniel praying three times a day facing Jerusalem.
 13. **Luke 2:46** – Jesus as a child in the temple courts, discussing with the teachers.
 14. **Psalm 118:22** – "The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone" (referenced in Acts 4:11).
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Introduction

- The birth of the Church through **unity** and the **Holy Spirit**.
 - Comparing Acts to the **Revolutionary War** – A few people with a common purpose led to **worldwide impact**.
 - Just as colonists met at the **Old South Meeting House**, the early believers gathered, while others put their **faith into action**.
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I. The Church Growing Daily (Acts 2:46-47)

- Early believers met **daily** in homes and in the temple.
 - **Acts 2:46-47** – “The Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”
 - This could refer to **Luke’s daily account** or **what continued happening over time**.
 - **Key Thought:** The movement of God grows **through faithful obedience and action**.
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II. No Other Name – The Power of Jesus (Acts 3:1-16)

1. Peter & John’s Faithful Prayer Life (Acts 3:1)

- They went to the temple for prayer, following Jewish tradition.
- **Daniel 6:10** – Daniel prayed **three times a day**, facing Jerusalem.

2. The Lame Beggar’s Encounter (Acts 3:2-5)

- A man **crippled from birth** was begging at the **Beautiful Gate**.
- He **asked for money**, but he **needed a miracle**.

3. A Divine Appointment – The Healing in Jesus’ Name (Acts 3:6-7)

- Peter & John **looked him in the eye** and extended **faith, not finances**.
- **“Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.”** (Acts 3:6)
- **Key Thought:** Miracles happen **not because of our resources, but because of Jesus’ authority**.

4. Transformation & Praise (Acts 3:8-10)

- The man **jumped up, walked, and praised God**.
 - The miracle **astonished the crowd** and led to an opportunity to share Jesus.
 - **Key Thought:** The purpose of miracles is to **glorify God and lead others to salvation**.
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III. The Purpose Behind the Miracle (Acts 3:11-16)

1. Peter Seizes the Opportunity (Acts 3:12-13)

- He **refocuses attention** from himself to Jesus.
- “Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we made this man walk?”
- **Key Thought:** Miracles point to Jesus, not man.

2. Peter Confronts Their Rejection of Jesus (Acts 3:14-15)

- They **rejected Jesus** and demanded **a murderer instead**.
- Yet, **God raised Jesus from the dead**, and **they were witnesses**.

3. The Power of Faith in Jesus (Acts 3:16)

- “**By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong.**”
 - **Key Thought:** It is **Jesus' name and faith in Him** that brings true healing and restoration.
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IV. Opposition & Boldness – No Other Name (Acts 4:4-12)

1. The Church Grows Despite Persecution (Acts 4:4)

- Many who heard Peter’s message **believed**, and the number grew to **5,000 men**.
- **Key Thought:** The gospel advances **even when opposed**.

2. Peter’s Defense Before the Sanhedrin (Acts 4:10-12)

- **Acts 4:10** – Peter boldly declares **Jesus’ resurrection** and the healing in His name.
- **Acts 4:11** – Quotes **Psalm 118:22** – Jesus, the **cornerstone rejected by men**.
- **Acts 4:12** – “**Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.**”

3. Key Thought: The name of Jesus is **exclusive in salvation** and **powerful in authority**.

V. Application – Faith in Action

- **Not about Silver & Gold, but Jesus (Acts 3:6)**
 - We may **not always have physical resources**, but we **carry the name of Jesus**.
 - **Faith in Action Opens Doors (Acts 3:10-12)**
 - Our encounters should lead others to **wonder and amazement at God**.
 - **Boldness in the Face of Opposition (Acts 4:12)**
 - We must **stand firm** in proclaiming the name of Jesus.
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Conclusion – The Cycle of Glory

- The **Holy Spirit glorifies Jesus**,
- Jesus **glorifies the Father**,
- The Father **gives the Holy Spirit**,
- The Holy Spirit **empowers us to glorify Jesus**.
- **Challenge:** This week, let’s **break bread together, meet needs, and boldly proclaim Jesus’ name!**

