

On the Corner Fringe: Above All

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Above All: Hope Beyond the Impossible

This transcript of a message from **Pastor Daniel Joseph** of **Corner Fringe Ministries** explores the **supernatural power of scripture** to provide fresh encouragement to believers. Daniel examines the **miraculous healing of a lame man** in Acts 3, noting that while the man requested simple financial charity, God provided a life-altering restoration instead. By connecting this narrative to **Ephesians 3:20**, he emphasizes the divine capacity to help **surpasses human imagination** and specific requests. Daniel argues that **complacency** causes the Bible to seem dull, whereas active faith reveals its vitality and strength. Ultimately, he serves a call for followers to maintain **hope and trust in Yeshua** during difficult or seemingly hopeless times. Through the lens of **Jeremiah 29:11**, Daniel reminds his audience that God's intentions are rooted in **peace, prosperity, and a future**.

Welcome, everyone. I'm Daniel Joseph here "On The Corner Fringe," and I just want to break away for a few moments today. For those of you who don't know, technically, I'm on sabbatical. But I just feel I need to share this word of encouragement with you and something that the Lord really impressed upon my heart.

Currently, I'm in about five or six different books of the Bible, just kind of plowing through in my own personal study, and isn't it amazing? I mean, this is what amazes me: how living and powerful the Word of God is that I can go through a passage that I have read a hundred times, and even more than that, a passage that I know by heart, and yet I can go back and reread it, and somehow the Lord makes it as though it's the first time I've read it, and it ministers to me in a powerful way. I mean, this is the supernatural power of the Word of God.

If you are seeking the Lord with all your heart, one thing I can promise you is this: The Word of God will never become boring. It will never become dull. See, when the Word of God becomes boring and dull to you, it is because you have become complacent and other affections have taken precedence in your



heart. And that's a very scary place to be. A place that you do not want to be. But when you are plugged in with the Lord, man, His word is life.

You hang on every word that proceeds from His mouth, and it ministers to you, and it gives you strength. I just want to give you an example of that today, at least from my journey, as I'm going through a few different books of the Bible right now, and it's amazing how the Lord links ideas and brings it all together for you. I want you to have a quick experience of this, and I hope it blesses you.

And so, I'm going to take you all to a passage that I'm going to estimate probably 90-plus percent, if not all of you, know by heart, and that is Acts 3:1—**Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour.** Again, many of you understand that as the Jerusalemites, the Jews in the first century, it was customary in the morning sacrifice for them to go up. It's morning time of prayer before 9 a.m., and then in the evening, at 3 p.m., the evening sacrifice, there was another time of prayer, and they would ascend to the hill of the Lord to be joined with the Lord to meditate and worship Him. You know, talk about such a cool environment to live in. This would be done daily. I mean, I think about that. God was part of their daily ritual, and so it's just so powerful to see this.

Acts 3:2—**And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they,** being obviously associates, friends, family, and people who care for this man and who love this man, **they laid daily,** they brought him daily **at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple.** Now this man was born lame. He cannot walk and has no real opportunity in life to support and sustain himself. He can't work because he can't walk. And so, this is problematic.

So, his friends, his family, and people who love him and care for him act with wisdom. And what do they do? They bring him to the gate daily. Number one, you think about this: he's going to the gate to ask for alms, but he's also drawing near to the Lord, and he's asking these things from the right people. People who have God in their hearts, people who are seeking God—it makes sense to go to people who are seeking the Lord for support when you can't even support yourself. And so, a lot is going on in this passage from multiple angles; it's just so cool to me. Here the friends are bringing him up, and this man is in need. He needs the basic elements of life. He needs food, he needs clothing, etc.

Continuing in Acts 3:3—**who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms.** That's why he's there. It's why he's at the gate. As righteous men come in to seek their God, he hopes they will show him compassion. And you know the old proverb from Yeshua, if you will—Matthew 7:7—**“Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.”** So what is this man doing? This man is asking; he's asking for help.

Acts 3:4-5—**And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, “Look at us.”** ⁵ **So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them.** Well, obviously, because Peter says, **“Look at us,”** so he draws his attention and his expectation, and this is my point: he expects that they're going to step up and give him the very thing that he has asked for, alms, support; they are going to give it to him.

But then we read this: Acts 3:6—**Then Peter said, “Silver and gold I do not have...”** Oh man, can you imagine the very thing he's asking for? This is all I need. This is what I need. This is what I need to have. I can't survive without this. And you know, his heart is literally steadfast and hoping for all these righteous men coming in, that one of them is going to show him compassion, and then the one that turns to him and acknowledges him now responds and says, “What you're asking me, I don't have.” Silver and gold, I don't have. But then he says this: **“but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of**

Nazareth, rise up and walk.” (Emphasis added). You want to talk about the Lord doing something beyond magnificent.

It's so interesting to me because as I'm reading the book of Acts, I am reading the book of Ephesians, and one of the most prominent passages that has always stuck out in my mind in Ephesians, as you go to Ephesians 3:20, is that our God **is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think**. And here you have this lame man literally experiencing the words that the Apostle Paul has taught us. The lame man simply asked for silver and gold. He asked for alms so he could buy the essentials for his life, sustain himself, and survive. That's all he was asking for.

And here God, looking down on this situation, knowing that he had asked for this, went above all that he could ask or even conceive. Nothing in this story shows that this man ever conceived the idea or notion that he would walk. He had never walked in his entire life. The thought never crossed his mind. If that's what it did, then he would have asked for that, but he didn't. He was just asking for the essentials.

And Yeshua came in. He saw this man. He saw his heart, and He went above all that he could ask or think. We need to be reminded of who Yeshua is and what He can do. His love and compassion surpass all knowledge. Again, this is something we read in Ephesians, Chapter three. I want you to be encouraged by this.

We need to be men and women of faith. Men and women, as we go to prayer, as we go to petition, take the time to petition the Lord and say, "Lord, I am asking for these things, but one thing I know: the very things that are impossible, impossible in this life, that people would say, 'Well, you've been lame from your birth.'" You have no hope; there's no hope for you to walk again. Don't worry about it; just serve God in the state that you're in. You're going to be fine. I mean, this is what blows my mind: God can go above all that we ask or think. He is the God of impossibilities. This is the Messiah I serve. This is the Messiah I will always serve. I want to follow Him with that kind of faith, with that kind of hope.

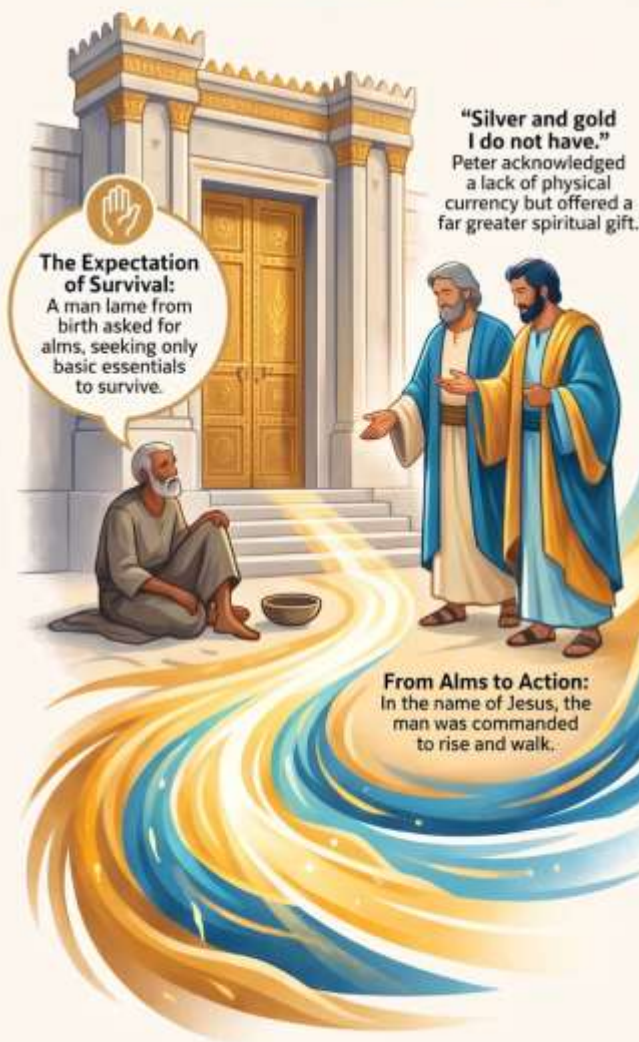
So I had to share this with you because it is so powerful as we enter days of hopelessness. And this is how the world perceives it. As we enter into a time of tribulation and horror, we can't forget who Yeshua is. And this whole concept is that He will never leave us or forsake us. This whole concept—He can go above all that I can even conceive in my mind. He can accomplish that in my life.

We are to know His heart, and His heart is this: Jeremiah 29:11—**For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope**. I know the plans that I have for you, to give you a future and a hope to prosper you. This is who He is. So I hope these words encourage you to meditate on this. What does this mean in your life? What should it mean?

So, with that said, bless you in the name of the Lord, Yeshua.

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