

A Study In Acts

Lesson 4: Acts Chapters 3-4:4

Peter and John

Act 3:1 KJV

Clearly, Peter and John were _____. They were often together. They are thought, by some, to have been together in the high priest's palace at the trial of Christ. Joh 18:15 KJV

They also ran together to Christ's tomb. Joh 20:2-3 KJV

The ninth hour is _____ in the afternoon.

The Healing of the Lame Man

Act 3:2-8 KJV

That this man was born lame, rather than by some disease or injury later in life, is important because it makes the fact the walks later an _____. That he was carried is important because it meant that many people _____.

Reponse to The Healing

Act 3:9-11 KJV

When all the people in the temple saw this man that they knew to be lame from birth, and saw three times a day outside the gate asking for alms, they were _____ and gathered around him, Peter, and John.

Peter's Second Sermon

Peter Starts From the End

Act 3:12-16 KJV

This time, he reminds them right off about their hand in the Jesus's death, including their choice of _____ over Jesus. Then he did his apostolic duty of _____.

Peter then says that it is Jesus power, through faith in His power, that cured the man. Again, the first thing emphasized is _____ in Jesus and who He is.

Prophecy

Act 3:17-18 KJV

Now, Peter begins to comfort them. He tells them that he realizes it is through their own _____ of Christ that they did this horrible things. He reminds them that God, through the prophets, had warned them it would happen. He then tells them that those propesies have been _____ by Jesus Christ.

Invitation Given

Act 3:19-21 KJV

Now that these people had seen for themselves, and been shown that Jesus was in fact responsible, he again offered the invitation: _____, be _____

for the remission of sins, and you will receive _____, which is that you will belong to Jesus and be received in Heaven when He returns as has been prophesied since the world began.

So, why “converted” instead of “baptized”? Do the two things mean the same thing?

The first place to turn in answering this question, is Matthew Chapter 19.:

[Matthew 18:3](#)
[Joh 3:1-5 KJV](#)

Converted = Born Again _____ = _____

Born Again = Born of Water and Spirit _____ = _____

This spiritual birth consists of two elements: “born of water and of the Spirit.” There are not two births required, but *one birth of two* elements. We are begotten by the Spirit through the seed, which is the word of God (1 Peter 1: 23; James 1: 18), and delivered through the waters of baptism into “newness of life” (Romans 6: 3-4). We are baptized *into* Christ and “if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature” (2 Corinthians 5: 17). A new creature comes into existence, of course, at birth.

Therefore, Peter again is emphasizing the same process here as he did in Acts Chapter 2: Believe, repent, and be baptized for the remission of sins to receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This recipe never changes.

Peter Concludes

[Act 3:22-26 KJV](#)

Here, Peter reminds them that Moses himself said that God would raise up a prophet from their people and that the people would listen to, and believe, the things he said, just as they believed Moses. He then reminds them that all the other prophets spoke of the same thing. He concludes by saying again, _____.

Here Come The Cops

Peter and John Arrested

[Act 4:1-4 KJV](#)

Clearly _____ was preaching also.

The priests, the captain of the guard of the temple, and the sect of Jews called the Sadducees show up and are not happy at what is being preached. The _____ especially, since they taught that there is no resurrection. They arrest Peter and John and place them in guarded custody. They are kept until the meeting of the Sanhedrin council the next because it was already getting into the evening time.

None the less, _____ more believers are added to the church, putting us at least _____ members of the Church in a very short amount of time.

Next Episode: Law and Order