

Read Acts 3:1-10

- 1 Peter and John went to the Temple one afternoon to take part in the three o'clock prayer service.
- 2 As they approached the Temple, a man crippled from birth was being carried in. Each day he was put beside the Temple gate, the one called the Beautiful Gate, so he could beg from the people going into the Temple.
- 3 When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for some money.
- 4 Peter and John looked at him intently, and Peter said, "Look at us!"
- 5 The lame man looked at them eagerly, expecting some money.
- 6 But Peter said, "I don't have any silver or gold for you. But I'll give you what I have. In the name of Jesus Christ, the Nazarene, get up and walk!"
- 7 Then Peter took the lame man by the right hand and helped him up. And as he did, the man's feet and ankles were instantly healed and strengthened.
- 8 He jumped up, stood on his feet, and began to walk! Then, walking, leaping, and praising God, he went into the Temple with them.
- 9 All the people saw him walking and heard him praising God.
- 10 When they realized he was the crippled beggar they had seen so often at the Beautiful Gate, they were absolutely astounded!

**Where were Peter and John going (v. 1)?** To the temple to pray. They were going to the afternoon prayer service.

**As they got near the temple what happened (v. 2)?** (Read v. 2) A crippled man was being carried in so he could beg for money. When people are on their way to worship God, they often feel sorry for people like the crippled man and will give them money.

**When the crippled man saw Peter and John, what did he do (v. 3)?** He asked them for money.

**What did Peter do (vv. 4-6)?** (Read vv. 4-6) He got the man's attention and then told him in the name of Jesus to get up and walk.

**What did Peter do to the man after he told him to get up and walk (v. 7)?** He took him by the hand and helped him up.

**What happened to the man (vv. 7-8)?** His feet and ankles were healed. He could walk. He was jumping up and down praising God. It was a miracle! This is the first of 14 miracles in Acts -- the very first one done by the apostles after Jesus left to go back to heaven.

**What did the people think (vv. 9-10)?** When they realized he was the crippled beggar, they were absolutely amazed.

**Who are the poor people in your life?** Ask God to place some "beggars" in your path so you may give away what you have been given. If we talk about the love of Jesus, people's lives will be changed.